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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-1999-2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2700

Introduced by Assembly Member Lempert (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Knox) (Coauthor: Assembly Member Thompson)

February 25, 2000

An act to amend Sections 22008, 22102, 22105, 22107, 22108, 22115, 22132, 22140, 22161.5, 22170, 22304, 22309, 22453, 22651, 22652, 22655, 22656, 22658, 22659, 22660, 22661, 22662, 22664, 22665, 22703, 22706, 23100, 24202.5, 24206, 24400, 24402, 24411, 24412, 24415, 24417, and 24600 of, to amend and renumber Sections 25000, 25100, 25110, 25115, 25120, and 25125 of, to amend, repeal, and add Sections 22119.2—and 22905, 22905, 22954, and 22955 to, to add Sections-22102.5 22101.5, 22104.7, 22104.9, 22105.5, 22122.7, 22127.2, 22133.5, 22139.5, 22146.7. 22156.05, 22166.5, 22176, 22302, 22311.5, 22311.7, 22901.5, 22955.5, 24300.5, and 24305.3 to, to add Chapter 38 (commencing with Section 25000) to Part 13 of Division 1 of Title 1 of, to repeal Section 26402 of, and to repeal and add Sections 22158, 22162, 22311, 22460, 22906, 23300, and 23881 to, the Education Code, relating to retirement, and making an appropriation therefor.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2700, as amended, Lempert. State teachers' retirement: Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

Existing law defines creditable compensation for purposes of the Defined Benefit Program established by the State Teachers' Retirement Law. That definition excludes money paid for service performed in excess of the full-time equivalent for the position and money paid for overtime or summer school service and aggregate service performed as a member in excess of one year of service credit for any one school year.

This bill would establish the Defined Benefit Supplement Program, as specified, for members of the Defined Benefit Program, pursuant to which members and employers would commencing on July 1, 2002, make specified contributions to the Teachers' Retirement Fund based on the member's overtime, extra-curricular, and other service, as specified, thereby making an appropriation, and members would receive retirement, disability, final, or termination benefits, payable in a lump-sum or annuity, as specified. The bill would make related technical and conforming changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 22008 of the Education Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 22008. For the purposes of payments into or out of the
- 4 retirement fund for adjustments of errors or omissions
- 5 with respect to the Defined Benefit Program or the
- 6 Defined Benefit Supplement Program, the period of
- 7 limitation of actions shall be applied, except as provided
- 8 in Sections 23302 and 24613, as follows:
- 9 (a) No action may be commenced by or against the
- 10 board, the system, or the plan more than three years after
- 11 all obligations to or on behalf of the member, former
- 12 member,—or beneficiary, or annuity beneficiary have
- 13 been discharged.

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(b) If the system makes an error that results in 2 incorrect payment to a member, former member, or 3 beneficiary, or annuity beneficiary, the system's right to 4 commence recovery shall expire three years from the 5 date the incorrect payment was made.

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- (c) If an incorrect payment is made due to lack of 7 information or inaccurate information regarding eligibility of a member, former member, or beneficiary, 9 or annuity beneficiary to receive benefits under the plan Benefit 10 Defined Program or Defined Benefit Supplement Program, the period of limitation shall 12 commence with the discovery of the incorrect payment.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision 14 section, if an incorrect payment has been made on the 15 basis of fraud or intentional misrepresentation by a 16 member, beneficiary, annuity beneficiary, or other party in relation to or on behalf of a member-or beneficiary, or 18 annuity beneficiary, the three-year period of limitation shall not be deemed to commence or to have commenced until the system discovers the incorrect payment.
- (e) The collection overpayments of subdivisions (b), (c), and (d) shall be made pursuant to 22 23 Section 24617.
- SEC. 2. Section 22101.5 is added to the Education 24 25 Code, to read:
- 22101.5. "Accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement 27 account balance" means an amount equal to the sum of 28 member contributions, the member contributions picked 29 up by an employer, employer contributions, and interest 30 credited on those contributions pursuant to Section 25005 31 that are credited by the system to the member's Defined 32 Benefit Supplement account.
- 33 SEC. 3. Section 22102 of the Education Code is 34 amended to read:
- 35 22102. "Accumulated retirement contributions" 36 means the sum of the member contributions, 37 member contributions picked up by an employer 38 pursuant to Sections 22903 and 22904, and credited interest on those contributions. Accumulated retirement contributions shall not include accumulated

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1 deposit contributions, accumulated tax-sheltered annuity 2 contributions, accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement 3 contributions, or additional earnings credit.

- 4 SEC. 3. Section 22102.5 is added to the Education 5 Code, to read:
- 6 22102.5. "Accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement 7 contributions" means the sum of member contributions, 8 the member contributions picked up by an employer, 9 employer contributions, and interest credited on those 10 contributions pursuant to Section 25008, that are credited by the system to the member's Defined Benefit 12 Supplement account.
- 13 SEC. 4. Section 22104.7 is added to the Education 14 Code, to read:
- 22104.7. "Additional earnings credit" means an amount derived from investment income for the plan year as determined by the board by plan amendment and added to members' Defined Benefit Supplement accounts in addition to the amount credited at the minimum interest rate for that plan year.
- 21 SEC. 5. Section 22104.9 is added to the Education 22 Code, to read:
- 23 22104.9. "Annuitant Reserve" means a segregated 24 account within the retirement fund established and 25 maintained for expenditure on annuities payable under 26 the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- 27 SEC. 6. Section 22105 of the Education Code is 28 amended to read:
- 29 22105. (a) "Annuity," with respect to the Defined 30 Benefit Program, means payments for life derived from 31 the "accumulated annuity deposit contributions" of a 32 member.
- 33 (b) "Annuity," with respect to the Defined Benefit 34 Supplement Program, means an alternative payment 35 arrangement wherein a benefit based on the balance *of* 36 *credits* in a member's Defined Benefit Supplement 37 account is paid monthly rather than in a lump-sum.
- 38 SEC. 7. Section 22105.5 is added to the Education 39 Code, to read:

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22105.5. "Annuity beneficiary" means the person or 1 persons designated by a member pursuant to Section 25011 or 25018 to receive an annuity under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program upon the member's death.

- SEC. 8. Section 22107 of the Education Code is 5 6 amended to read:
- (a) "Beneficiary," with 22107. respect Defined Benefit Program, means any person or entity receiving or entitled to receive an allowance or lump-sum 10 payment under the Defined Benefit Program because of 11 the disability or death of a member.

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- (b) "Beneficiary," with respect to the Defined Benefit 13 Supplement Program, means any person 14 receiving or entitled to receive a final benefit under the 15 Defined Benefit Supplement Program upon the death of 16 a member.
- SEC. 9. Section 22108 of the Education Code is 17 18 amended to read:
- 22108. (a) "Benefit" or "benefits," with respect to 20 the Defined Benefit Program, means any payment due a retired member, disabled member, or 22 beneficiary, and includes lump-sum payments due 23 account of death.
- (b) "Benefit" and "benefits," with respect to the 25 Defined Supplement means—a Benefit Program, 26 distribution of funds that represent the balance in a member's accumulated an amount equal to the balance of credits in a member's Defined Benefit Supplement account.
- SEC. 10. Section 22115 of the Education Code is 30 31 amended to read:
- 22115. (a) "Compensation earnable" means the creditable compensation a person could earn in a school year for creditable service performed on a full-time basis, excluding service for which contributions are credited by 36 the system to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- (b) The board may determine compensation earnable 37 38 for persons employed on a part-time basis.
- (c) When service credit for a school year is less than 39 1.000, compensation earnable shall be the product

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obtained when creditable compensation paid in that year is divided by the service credit for that year, except as provided in subdivision (d).

- (d) When a member earns creditable compensation at 5 multiple pay rates during a school year and service credit at the highest pay rate is at least .900 of a year, compensation earnable shall be determined as if all service credit for that year had been earned at the highest pay rate. This subdivision shall be applicable only for 10 purposes of determining final compensation. When a 11 member earns creditable compensation at multiple pay 12 rates during a school year and service credit at the highest pay rate is less than .900 of a year, compensation earnable 14 shall be determined pursuant to subdivision (c).
- (e) The amendments to this section made during the 16 second year of the 1999-2000 Regular Session shall become operative on July 1, 2002.
- SEC. 11. Section 22119.2 of the Education Code is 19 amended to read:
- 22119.2. (a) "Creditable compensation" 21 salary and other remuneration payable in cash by an employer to a member for creditable service. Creditable 23 compensation shall include:
- (1) Money paid in accordance with a salary schedule 25 based on years of training and years of experience for creditable service performed up to and including the full-time equivalent for the position in which the service is performed.
- (2) For members not paid according to a salary 30 schedule, money paid for creditable service performed up to and including the full-time equivalent for the position in which the service is performed.
- (3) Money paid for the member's absence from 34 performance of creditable service as approved by the employer, except as provided in paragraph (7) of 36 subdivision (b).
- (4) Member contributions picked up by an employer 38 pursuant to Section 22903 or 22904.
- (5) Amounts deducted by an employer from the 39 40 member's salary, including deductions for participation

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in a deferred compensation plan; deductions for the purchase of annuity contracts, tax-deferred retirement plans, or other insurance programs; and deductions for 4 participation in a plan that meets the requirements of 5 Section 125, 401(k), or 403(b) of Title 26 of the United 6 States Code.

(6) Money paid by an employer in addition to salary paid under paragraph (1) or (2) if paid to all employees in a class in the same dollar amount, the same percentage 10 of salary, or the same percentage of the amount being distributed.

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- (7) Money paid in accordance with a salary schedule 13 by employer to an employee for achieving 14 certification from national board awarding a 15 certifications, in which eligibility for this certification is 16 based, in part, on years of training or years of experience 17 in teaching service, if the compensation is paid by the employees achieved 18 employer all who 19 certification.
 - (8) Any other payments the board determines to be "creditable compensation."
- (b) "Creditable compensation" does not mean 23 shall not include:
- (1) Money paid for service performed in excess of the 25 full-time equivalent for the position.
- (2) Money paid for overtime or summer school service, or money paid for the aggregate performed as a member of the Defined Benefit Program 29 in excess of one year of service credit for any one school year.
- (3) Money paid for service that is not creditable 32 service pursuant to Section 22119.5.
- (4) Money paid by an employer in addition to salary 34 paid under paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (a) if not paid to all employees in a class in the same dollar amount, 36 the same percentage of salary, or the same percentage of the amount being distributed, except as provided in paragraph (7) of subdivision (a).
 - (5) Fringe benefits provided by an employer.

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(6) Job-related expenses paid or reimbursed by an employer.

- (7) Money paid for unused accumulated leave.
- (8) Severance compensatory damages pay or or 5 money paid to a member in excess of salary as a compromise settlement.
- tax-deferred (9) Annuity contracts. programs, or other insurance programs, including, but not limited to, plans that meet the requirements of 10 Section 125, 401(k), or 403(b) of Title 26 of the United 11 States Code that are purchased by an employer for the 12 member and are not deducted from the member's salary.
- (10) Any payments determined by the board to have 14 been made by an employer for the principal purpose of 15 enhancing a member's benefits under the Defined 16 Benefit Program. An increase in the salary of a member 17 who is the only employee in a class pursuant to 18 subdivision (b) of Section 22112.5 that arises out of an employer's restructuring of compensation during the 20 member's final compensation period shall be presumed 21 to have been granted for the principal purpose of 22 enhancing benefits under the Defined Benefit Program 23 and shall not be creditable compensation. If the board determines sufficient evidence is provided to the system 25 to rebut this presumption, the increase in salary shall be deemed creditable compensation.
- (11) Any other payments the board determines not to 28 be "creditable compensation."
- employer or person who knowingly or (c) Anv 30 willfully reports compensation in a manner inconsistent with subdivision (a) or (b) shall reimburse the plan for 32 any overpayment of benefits that occurs because of that inconsistent reporting and may be subject to prosecution 34 for fraud, theft, or embezzlement in accordance with the 35 Penal Code. The system may establish procedures to 36 ensure that compensation reported by an employer is in compliance with this section.
- (d) The definition of "creditable compensation" in 38 this section is designed in accordance with sound funding principles that support the integrity of the retirement

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fund. These principles include, but are not limited to, consistent treatment of compensation throughout career of the individual member, consistent treatment of compensation for an entire class of employees, the prevention of adverse selection, and the exclusion of adjustments to, or increases in, compensation for the principal purpose of enhancing benefits.

(e) This section shall be deemed to have become operative on July 1, 1996.

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- (f) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 11 2002, and, as of January 1, 2003, is repealed, unless a later 12 enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before 13 January 1, 2003, deletes or extends the dates on which it 14 becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- SEC. 12. Section 22119.2 is added to the Education 15 16 Code, to read:
- 22119.2. (a) "Creditable compensation" means 18 remuneration that is payable in cash by an employer to all persons in the same class of employees and is paid to 20 an employee for performing creditable Creditable compensation shall include:
- (1) Salary paid in accordance with a salary schedule or 23 employment agreement.
- (2) Remuneration that is paid in addition to salary, 25 providing it is payable to all persons who are in the same class of employees in the same dollar amount, the same percentage of salary, or the same percentage of the amount being distributed.
- (3) Remuneration that is paid for the use of sick leave, 30 vacation, and other employer-approved leave, except as provided in paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) (4) of subdivision (c).
- (4) Member contributions that are picked up by an 34 employer pursuant to Section 22903 or 22904.
- (5) Amounts that are deducted from a member's 36 compensation, including, but not limited to, salary deductions for participation in a deferred compensation 38 plan; deductions to purchase an annuity contract, taxdeferred retirement plan, or insurance program; contributions to a plan that meets the requirements of

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Section 125, 401(k), or 403(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

- (6) Any other payments the board determines to be "creditable compensation."
- (b) Any salary or other remuneration determined by 5 the board to have been paid for the principal purpose of enhancing a member's benefits under the plan shall not 8 credited under the Defined Benefit 9 Contributions on that compensation shall be credited to 10 the Defined Benefit Supplement Program. presumption by the board that salary or other 12 remuneration was paid for the principal purpose 13 enhancing the member's benefits under the plan may be 14 rebutted by the member or by the employer on behalf of 15 the member. Upon receipt of sufficient evidence to the 16 contrary, a presumption by the board that salary or other remuneration was paid for the principal purpose of 17 18 enhancing the member's benefits under the plan may be 19 reversed.
- 20 (c) "Creditable compensation" does not mean 21 shall not include:
 - (1) Remuneration that is not payable in cash or is not payable to all persons who are in the same class of employees.
- (2) Remuneration that is paid for service that is not 26 creditable service pursuant to Section 22119.5.
- (3) Remuneration that is paid in addition to salary if it 28 is not payable to all persons in the same class of employees in the same dollar amount, the same percentage of salary, 30 or the same percentage of the amount being distributed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
- (4) Remuneration that is paid for unused accumulated 33 leave.
- 34 (5) Annuity contracts, tax-deferred retirement plans, 35 or insurance programs and contributions to plans that 36 meet the requirements of Section 125, 401(k), or 403(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code when the cost is covered by an employer and is not deducted from the 39 member's salary.
 - (6) Fringe benefits provided by an employer.

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(7) Job-related expenses paid or reimbursed by an employer.

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- (8) Severance pay or compensatory damages or money paid to a member in excess of salary as a compromise settlement.
- (9) Any other payments the board determines not to be "creditable compensation."
- 8 (d) An employer or individual who knowingly or 9 willfully reports compensation in a manner inconsistent 10 with subdivision (a) or (c) shall reimburse the plan for 11 benefit overpayments that occur because of that 12 inconsistent reporting and may be subject to prosecution 13 for fraud, theft, or embezzlement in accordance with the 14 Penal Code. The system may establish procedures to 15 ensure that compensation reported by an employer is in 16 compliance with this section.
- "creditable 17 (e) This definition of compensation" 18 reflects sound principles that support the integrity of the 19 retirement fund. Those principles include, but are not 20 limited to. consistent treatment of compensation 21 throughout a member's career, consistent treatment of 22 compensation among an entire class of employees, 23 preventing adverse selection, excluding and 24 compensation earnable remuneration that is paid for the 25 principal purpose of enhancing a member's benefits Theboard shall 26 under the plan. determine 27 appropriate crediting ofcontributions between 28 Defined Benefit Program and the Defined Benefit 29 Supplement Program according to these principles, to 30 the extent not otherwise specified pursuant to this part.
- 31 (f) The section shall become operative *on* July 1, 2002.
- 32 SEC. 13. Section 22122.7 is added to the Education 33 Code, to read:
- 34 22122.7. "Defined Benefit Supplement 35 contributions" means member contributions and 36 employer contributions that are credited by the system 37 to the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account 38 pursuant to Section 25004.
- 39 SEC. 14. Section 22127.2 is added to the Education 40 Code, to read:

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- 22127.2. "Disability benefit" means the amount
- payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program
- 3 based on the balance of credits in a member's Defined
- 4 Benefit Supplement account to either a disabled member
- 5 pursuant to Section 24005 or to a member who retired for
- disability pursuant to Section 24105. 7
 - SEC. 14.
- SEC. 15. Section 22132 of the Education Code is 8 9 amended to read:
- 22132. "Employed" "employment" 10 or
- 11 employment to perform creditable service subject to
- 12 coverage under the Defined Benefit Program or the
- Supplement 13 Defined Benefit Program, except as
- 14 otherwise specifically provided under this part.
- SEC. 15. 15
- SEC. 16. Section 22133.5 is added to the Education 16 17 Code, to read:
- 22133.5. "Final benefit" means the amount payable to 18 19 a beneficiary under the Defined Benefit Supplement
- 20 Program upon the death of the member to a beneficiary.
- 21 SEC. 16.
- 22 SEC. 17. Section 22139.5 is added to the Education 23 Code, to read:
- 22139.5. "Gain and Loss Reserve" means a segregated 24 25 account within the retirement fund that is established and maintained to do either of the following:
- 27 (a) Credit interest to members' Defined 28 Supplement accounts at the minimum interest rate for
- 29 plan years in which the board determines that the
- 30 obligation cannot be met from the plan's investment
- 31 earnings with respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement 32 Program.
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- (b) Provide additions to the Annuitant Reserve to 34 meet the plan's obligation for annuities payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- SEC. 17. 36
- SEC. 18. Section 22140 of the Education Code is 37 38 amended to read:
- 22140. (a) "Improvement factor," with respect to 39 40 the Defined Benefit Program, means an increase of 2

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percent in monthly allowances. The improvement factor shall be added to a monthly allowance each year on 3 September 1, commencing on September 1 following the 4 first anniversary of the effective date of retirement, or the 5 date on which the monthly allowance commenced to accrue to any beneficiary, or other periods specifically stated in this part.

- (b) "Improvement factor," with respect 9 Defined Benefit Supplement Program, an 2 percent in monthly 10 increase of annuities. The 11 improvement factor shall be added to a monthly annuity September 1, commencing on 12 each year on 13 September 1 following the first anniversary of the date 14 the annuity first became payable.
- (c) The improvement factor shall not be compounded 15 16 nor shall it be applicable to annuities payable from the 17 accumulated annuity deposit contributions tax-sheltered annuity contributions. 18 accumulated 19 Legislature reserves the right to adjust the amount of the 20 improvement factor up or down as economic conditions 21 dictate. No adjustments of the improvement factor shall 22 reduce the monthly retirement allowance or annuity 23 below that which would be payable to the recipient under 24 this part had this section not been enacted.

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- 26 SEC. 19. Section 22146.7 is added to the Education 27 Code, to read:
- 28 22146.7. "Minimum interest rate" means the annual interest rate determined by the board amendment at which interest will be credited to Defined Benefit Supplement accounts for a plan year.
 - SEC. 19.
- 33 SEC. 20. Section 22156.05 is added to the Education 34 Code, to read:
- 35 22156.05. "Plan year" means the period of time 36 beginning on July 1 of one calendar year and ending on
- June 30 of the following calendar year. For purposes of the 38 Defined Benefit Supplement Program, the board shall
- 39 designate by plan amendment the initial plan year.
- 40 SEC. 20.

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- 1 SEC. 21. Section 22158 of the Education Code is 2 repealed.
- 3 SEC. 21.
- 4 SEC. 22. Section 22158 is added to the Education 5 Code, to read:
- 6 22158. (a) "Projected service" means the sum of 7 credited service plus the credited service that would have 8 been earned for the school years during which a disability 9 allowance was payable if the member had performed 10 creditable service during that time.
- 11 (b) Projected service for a school year shall be 12 determined on the basis of the highest credited service 13 earned by the member during any one of the three school 14 years immediately preceding the member's death or the 15 date the disability allowance began to accrue.
- 16 (c) Projected service shall not include credited service 17 for which contributions have been credited to the 18 Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
 - SEC. 22.

- 20 SEC. 23. Section 22161.5 of the Education Code is 21 amended to read:
- 22 22161.5. "Refund" means the lump-sum return of a 23 member's accumulated retirement contributions under 24 the Defined Benefit Program and does not include contributions 25 accumulated credited to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program. 26
- 27 SEC. 23.
- 28 SEC. 24. Section 22162 of the Education Code is 29 repealed.
- 30 SEC. 24.
- 31 SEC. 25. Section 22162 is added to the Education 32 Code, to read:
- 33 22162. "Regular interest" means interest that is 34 compounded annually based on the annual equivalent of 35 the prior year's average yield to maturity on the
- 36 investment-grade fixed income securities attributable to
- 37 the Defined Benefit Program, but not on assets
- 38 attributable to the Defined Benefit Supplement
- 39 Program. The regular interest rate shall be adopted

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- 1 annually by the board as a plan amendment with respect to the Defined Benefit Program.
- 3 SEC. 25.
- 4 SEC. 26. Section 22166.5 is added to the Education 5 Code, to read:
- 6 22166.5. "Retirement benefit" means the amount 7 payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program
- 8 based on the balance of credits in the member's Defined
- 9 Benefit Supplement account to a member who has
- 10 retired for service under the Defined Benefit Program.
- 11 SEC. 26.
- 12 SEC. 27. Section 22170 of the Education Code is 13 amended to read:
- 14 22170. "Service" means work performed for 15 compensation in a position subject to coverage under the
- 16 Defined Benefit Program, except as otherwise
- 17 specifically provided in this part, providing the
- 18 contributions on compensation for that work are not
- 19 credited to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- 20 SEC. 27.
- 21 SEC. 28. Section 22176 is added to the Education 22 Code, to read:
- 23 22176. "Termination benefit" means—the balance a
- 24 benefit equal in amount to the balance of credits in the 25 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account that is
- 26 payable to the member in a lump-sum when the member
- 27 has terminated all employment to perform creditable
- 28 service subject to coverage by the plan.
- 29 SEC. 28.
- 30 SEC. 29. Section 22302 is added to the Education 31 Code, to read:
- 32 22302. The board may contract with a qualified
- 33 third-party administrator for custodial, record keeping,
- 34 or other administrative services necessary to carry into
- 35 effect the provisions of Chapter 38 (commencing with
- 36 Section 25000) of this part or Part 14.
- 37 SEC. 29.
- 38 SEC. 30. Section 22304 of the Education Code is
- 39 amended to read:

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- 1 22304. (a) The costs of administration of the plan 2 shall be paid from the retirement fund and those costs 3 may not exceed the amount made available by law during 4 any fiscal period.
- 5 (b) The administrative costs of the plan shall be 6 divided proportionately in accordance with the assets of 7 the Defined Benefit Program, the Defined Benefit 8 Supplement Program, and the Cash Balance Benefit 9 Program.
- 10 SEC. 30.
- 11 SEC. 31. Section 22309 of the Education Code is 12 amended to read:
- 22309. (a) The board shall issue to each active and inactive member, no less frequently than annually after the close of the school year, a statement of the member's individual Defined Benefit Program and Defined Benefit Supplement accounts, provided the employer or member has informed the system of the member's current mailing address.
- 20 (b) The board shall periodically make a good faith 21 effort to locate inactive members to provide these 22 members with information concerning any benefit for 23 which they may be eligible.
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- 25 SEC. 32. Section 22311 of the Education Code is 26 repealed.
 - SEC. 32.
- 28 SEC. 33. Section 22311 is added to the Education 29 Code, to read:
- 30 22311. The board shall maintain all data necessary to 31 perform an actuarial investigation of the demographic 32 and economic experience of the plan and for the actuarial 33 valuation of the assets and liabilities of the plan.
- 34 SEC. 33.
- 35 SEC. 34. Section 22311.5 is added to the Education 36 Code, to read:
- 37 22311.5. The board shall acquire the services of an 38 actuary to do all of the following:
- 39 (a) Make recommendations to the board for the 40 adoption of actuarial assumptions that, in the aggregate,

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are reasonably related to the past experience of the plan and reflect the actuary's informed estimate of the future experience.

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- actuarial investigation (b) Make an of the 5 demographic and economic experience, including the mortality, service, and other experience, of the plan with respect to members and beneficiaries of the Defined Benefit Program, the Defined Benefit Supplement Program, and the Cash Balance Benefit Program.
- (c) Make an Program: Benefit 11 beneficiaries, and annuity beneficiaries of the Defined Supplement Program: and participants 12 Benefit beneficiaries of the Cash Balance Benefit Program.
- (c) Make an annual actuarial review of the goals 15 regarding the sufficiency of the Gain and Loss Reserves 16 with respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement 17 Program and the Cash Balance Benefit Program and 18 recommend to the board the goal for maintaining 19 sufficient Gain and Loss Reserves for the Defined Benefit 20 Supplement Program and the Cash Balance Benefit 21 Program.
- (d) Recommend to the board the amount, if any, to be 23 transferred to the separate Gain and Loss Reserves from 24 the investment earnings of the plan with respect to the 25 Defined Benefit Supplement Program and the Cash 26 Balance Benefit Program.
- (e) At least once every six years with respect to the 28 Defined Benefit Program and annually with respect to 29 the Defined Benefit Supplement Program and the Cash 30 Balance Benefit Program, using actuarial assumptions adopted by the board, perform an actuarial valuation of 32 the plan that identifies the assets and liabilities of the plan, and report the findings to the board. The report of the 34 actuary on the results of the actuarial valuation shall 35 identify and include the components of normal cost and 36 adequate information to determine the effects of changes in actuarial assumptions. Copies of the report on the 38 actuarial valuation shall be transmitted to the Governor and to the Legislature.

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- (f) Recommend to the board all rates and factors necessary to administer the plan, including, but not limited to, mortality tables, annuity factors, interest rates, and additional earnings credits.
- (g) Recommend to the board a strategy for amortizing any unfunded actuarial obligation.
- (h) As requested by the board, perform any other actuarial services that may be required for administration 9 of the plan.

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- SEC. 35. Section 22311.7 is added to the Education 12 Code, to read:
- 22311.7. Upon the basis of the actuarial investigation 14 and actuarial valuation pursuant to Section 22311.5, or any part thereof, the board shall adopt by plan amendment 16 actuarial assumptions, rates, factors, and tables as the board determines are necessary for administration of the plan and its programs.

SEC. 35.

- 20 SEC. 36. Section 22453 of the Education Code is 21 amended to read:
- 22453. (a) Except as provided in Section 22454, the 23 signature of the spouse of a member shall be required on 24 any application for, or cancellation of, an unmodified 25 allowance; any application for, or cancellation of, any 26 annuity or termination benefit under 27 Benefit Supplement Program; the election, change, or 28 cancellation of an option; or any request for a refund of member's accumulated retirement contributions. 30 accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement contributions, 31 or accumulated annuity deposit contributions, or any 32 other requests related to the selection of benefits by a member in which a spousal interest may be present, 34 unless the member declares, in writing, under penalty of perjury, that one of the following conditions exists: 35
- (1) The member does not know, and has taken all 36 37 reasonable steps to determine, the whereabouts of the 38 spouse.

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- (2) The is incapable of executing spouse acknowledgment because of an incapacitating mental or physical condition.
- (3) The member and spouse have executed a marriage 5 settlement agreement pursuant to Part 5 (commencing with Section 1500) of Division 4 of the Family Code that makes the community property law inapplicable to the marriage.
 - (4) The member is not married.
 - (5) The current spouse has no identifiable community property interest in the benefit.
- (b) This section is not applicable to an application for 13 a disability allowance.
 - (c) The sole purpose of this section is to provide for spousal protection in the selection of specified benefits made by a member.

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SEC. 37. Section 22460 of the Education Code is 18 19 repealed.

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- SEC. 38. Section 22460 is added to the Education 21 22 Code, to read:
- 23 22460. (a) If a member terminates employment with 24 less than five years of credited service, the employer shall notify the member of the following:
- (1) That unless the member is eligible, or becomes 27 eligible in the future, for concurrent retirement pursuant 28 to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 24201, the member is eligible only for a refund of accumulated 30 retirement contributions and the return of the balance an amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account.
- (2) The current rate of interest that shall be earned on 34 accumulated retirement contributions that are not 35 refunded and the current minimum interest rate that 36 shall be applied to the balance of credits in the member's 37 Defined Benefit Supplement account.
- 38 (3) Actions that may be taken by the board if 39 accumulated retirement contributions are not refunded

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- and the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account is not returned.
- 3 (b) Employers shall transmit to a member who terminates employment with less than five years of credited service the information specified in subdivision (a) as part of the usual separation documents. 7

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- SEC. 39. Section 22651 of the Education Code is 8 amended to read:
- 22651. For purposes of this chapter and Section 23300, 10 11 "nonmember spouse" means a member's 12 former spouse who is being or has been awarded a community property interest in the service credit. retirement 14 accumulated contributions, accumulated 15 Defined Benefit Supplement contributions account 16 balance, or benefits of the member under this part. A 17 nonmember spouse who is awarded a separate account of 18 service credit and accumulated retirement contributions. 19 or who is awarded a separate account of accumulated 20 Defined Benefit Supplement contributions, or who 21 receives a who is awarded a separate account based on the 22 balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit 23 Supplement receives account, who а retirement 24 allowance or retirement annuity under this part, or who interest in a member's retirement 25 is awarded an allowance or retirement annuity under this part is not a 27 member.

28 SEC. 39.

- 29 SEC. 40. Section 22652 of the Education Code is 30 amended to read:
- 31 22652. (a) Upon the legal separation or dissolution of 32 marriage of a member, other than a retired member, the court shall include in the judgment or a court order the 34 date on which the parties separated.
- (b) The court may order in the judgment or court 35 36 order that the accumulated retirement contributions and service credit or-accumulated an amount equal to the 38 balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement contributions account under this part that are attributable to periods of service during the marriage

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be divided into two separate and distinct accounts in the name of the member and the nonmember spouse, respectively. Any service credit or accumulated retirement contributions oraccumulated an amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement contributions account under this part that are not explicitly awarded by the judgment or court order shall be deemed the exclusive property of the member under the Defined Benefit Program or the 10 Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

- (c) The determination of the court of community 12 property rights pursuant to this section shall be consistent 13 with this chapter and shall address the rights of the 14 nonmember spouse under this part, including, but not 15 limited to, the following:
- (1) The right to a retirement allowance and, 17 applicable, a retirement annuity.
- (2) The right to a refund of accumulated retirement lump-sum 19 contributions and the payment accumulated an amount equal to the balance of credits Defined Benefit Supplement the member's contributions account that was awarded to nonmember spouse.
- (3) The right to redeposit accumulated retirement 25 contributions previously refunded to the member which the member is eligible to redeposit pursuant to Sections 23200 to 23203, inclusive, and shall specify the shares of 28 the redeposit amount awarded to the member and the nonmember spouse.
- (4) The right to purchase additional service credit that 31 the member is eligible to purchase pursuant to Sections 22800 to 22810, inclusive, and shall specify the shares of the additional service credit awarded to the member and the nonmember spouse.

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- SEC. 41. Section 22655 of the Education Code is 36 37 amended to read:
- 22655. (a) Upon the legal separation or dissolution of 38 marriage of a retired member, the court may include in the judgment or court order a determination of the

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community property rights of the parties in the retired applicable, member's retirement allowance and, if retirement annuity under this part consistent with this section. Upon election under subparagraph 5 paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 2610 of the 6 Family Code, the court order awarding the nonmember spouse a community property share in the benefits retirement allowance or retirement annuity, or both, of a retired member shall be consistent with this section.

- (b) If the court does not award the entire retirement 11 allowance or retirement annuity under this part to the 12 retired member and the retired member is receiving a 13 retirement allowance that has not been modified 14 pursuant to Section 24300, or a single life annuity 15 pursuant to Section 25011 or 25018, the court shall require 16 only that the system pay the nonmember spouse, by separate warrant, his or her community property share of member's retirement retired allowance 19 retirement annuity, or both, under this part.
- (c) If the court does not award the entire retirement 21 allowance or retirement annuity under this part to the 22 retired member and the retired member is receiving an 23 allowance that has been actuarially modified pursuant to 24 Section 24300, or a joint and survivor annuity pursuant to 25 Section 25011 or 25018, the court shall order only one of the following:
- (1) The retired member shall maintain the retirement 28 allowance or retirement annuity, or both, under this part without change.
- (2) The retired member shall cancel the option that 31 modified the retirement allowance under pursuant to Section 24305 and select a new joint and survivor option or a new beneficiary or both, and the 34 system shall pay the nonmember spouse, by separate 35 warrant, his or her community property share of the 36 retirement allowance under this part of the retired member, the option beneficiary, or both.
- 38 (3) The retired member shall cancel the joint and survivor annuity under which the annuity is being paid pursuant to Section 24305.5, and select a new joint and

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survivor annuity or a new annuity beneficiary or both, and the system shall pay the nonmember spouse, by separate warrant, his or her community property share of the retirement annuity payable to the retired member, the annuity beneficiary, or both.

(4) The retired member shall take the action specified in both paragraphs (2) and (3).

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- (5) The retired member shall cancel the option that the retirement allowance under 10 pursuant to Section 24305 and select an unmodified 11 retirement allowance and the system shall pay 12 nonmember spouse, by separate warrant, his or 13 community property share of the retired member's 14 retirement allowance under this part.
- (6) The retired member shall cancel the joint and 16 survivor annuity under which the annuity is being paid pursuant to Section 24305.5, and select a single life 18 annuity, and the system shall pay the nonmember spouse, 19 by separate warrant, his or her community property 20 share of the retirement annuity payable to the retired member.
- (7) The retired member shall take the action specified 23 in both paragraphs (5) and (6).
- (d) If the option beneficiary or annuity beneficiary or 25 both under this part, other than the nonmember spouse, predeceases the retired member, the court shall order the retired member to select a new option beneficiary pursuant to Section 24306, or a new annuity beneficiary 29 pursuant to Section 24306.5 24305.3 and shall order the 30 system to pay the nonmember spouse, by separate 31 warrant, his or her share of the community property 32 interest in the retirement allowance or retirement annuity or both under this part of the retired member or 34 the new option beneficiary or annuity beneficiary or each of them.
- (e) The right of the nonmember spouse to receive his her community property share of the retired 37 or member's retirement allowance or retirement annuity or both under this section shall terminate upon the death of nonmember spouse. However, the

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1 spouse may designate a beneficiary under the Defined

- Benefit Program and a payee under the Defined Benefit
- Supplement Program to receive his or her community
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- under this part in the event that there are remaining
- accumulated retirement contributions and accumulated
- 9 a balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit
- 10 Supplement—contributions account to be paid upon the
 - death of the nonmember spouse.
- 12 SEC. 41. Section 22656 of the Education Code is
- 13 amended to read: 14 22656. No judgment or court order issued pursuant to
- 15 this chapter is binding on the system with respect to the
- 16 Defined Benefit Program—and or the Defined Benefit
- Supplement Program until the system has been joined as 17
- 18 a party to the action and has been served with a certified
- copy of the judgment or court order.
- 20 SEC. 42.

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- 21 SEC. 43. Section 22658 of the Education Code is 22 amended to read:
- 23 22658. (a) A separate account awarded 24 nonmember spouse pursuant to Section 22652 shall be administered independently of the member's account. 25
- (b) Accumulated—An accumulated Defined Benefit 27 Supplement contributions account balance, 28 accumulated retirement contributions, service credit. 29 and final compensation attributable to a separate account 30 of a nonmember spouse under this part shall not be combined in any way or for any purpose with the 32 accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement—contributions accumulated retirement contributions, account balance, 34 service credit, and final compensation of any other 35 separate account of the nonmember spouse.
- (c) Accumulated—An accumulated Defined 36 Benefit 37 Supplement— -contributions account balance, 38 accumulated retirement contributions, service credit. final compensation attributable to the account of a nonmember spouse shall not be combined in

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- 1 any way or for any purpose with the accumulated 2 Defined Benefit Supplement—contributions account 3 balance, accumulated retirement contributions, service 4 credit, and final compensation of an account that exists 5 under this part because the nonmember spouse is
- 6 employed or has been employed to perform creditable 7 service subject to coverage under the Defined Benefit
- 8 Program or the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

9 SEC. 43.

- 10 SEC. 44. Section 22659 of the Education Code is 11 amended to read:
- 12 22659. Upon being awarded a separate account or an 13 interest in the retirement allowance or retirement 14 annuity of a retired member under this part, a 15 nonmember spouse shall provide the system with proof 16 of his or her date of birth, social security number, and any other information requested by the system, in the form and manner requested by the system.

SEC. 44.

- 20 SEC. 45. Section 22660 of the Education Code is 21 amended to read:
- 22 22660. (a) The nonmember spouse who is awarded a separate account under this part shall have the right to designate, pursuant to Sections 23300 to 23304, inclusive, a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive the accumulated retirement contributions under the Defined Benefit Program and to designate a payee to receive the accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement—contributions account balance under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program remaining in the separate account of the
- 31 nonmember spouse on his or her date of death, and any 32 accrued allowance or accrued *Defined Benefit*
- 33 Supplement annuity under this part attributable to the 34 separate account of the nonmember spouse which is
- 35 unpaid on the date of the death of the nonmember
- 36 spouse.
- 37 (b) This section shall not be construed to provide the 38 nonmember spouse with any right to elect to modify a
- 39 retirement allowance under Section 24300 or to elect a

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joint and survivor annuity under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

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- SEC. 46. Section 22661 of the Education Code is 4 5 amended to read:
- 22661. (a) The nonmember spouse who is awarded a 6 separate account under this part shall have the right to a refund of the accumulated retirement contributions—and 9 a lump-sum payment of accumulated Defined Benefit 10 Supplement contributions in the accounts of the in the 11 account, and a lump-sum payment of the balance of 12 credits in the Defined Benefit Supplement account, of 13 *the* nonmember spouse under this part.
- (b) The nonmember spouse shall file an application on 15 a form provided by the system to obtain a refund or 16 lump-sum payment.
- (c) The refund and lump-sum payment under this 17 18 part are effective when the system deposits in the United 19 States mail an initial warrant drawn in favor of the 20 nonmember spouse and addressed to the latest address 21 for the nonmember spouse on file in the system. If the 22 nonmember spouse has elected on a form provided by the 23 system to transfer all or a specified portion of the retirement contributions 24 accumulated or accumulated Benefit 25 Defined Supplement contributions account 26 balance that are eligible for direct trustee-to-trustee 27 transfer to the trustee of a qualified plan under Section 28 402 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C.A. 29 Sec. 402), deposit in the United States mail of a notice that 30 the requested transfer has been made constitutes a return the nonmember spouse's accumulated retirement 32 contributions accumulated Defined Benefit or 33 Supplement-contributions account balance.
- (d) The nonmember spouse is 34 deemed to 35 permanently waived all rights and benefits pertaining to accumulated 36 the service credit, retirement 37 contributions, and accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement—contributions account balance under this part when the refund and lump-sum payment become 40 effective.

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(e) The nonmember spouse may not cancel a refund or lump-sum payment under this part after they are it is effective.

- (f) The nonmember spouse shall have no right to elect the refunded accumulated redeposit contributions under this part after the refund is effective, to redeposit under Section 22662 or purchase additional service credit under Section 22663 after the refund becomes effective, or to redeposit the accumulated Supplement contributions 10 Defined Benefit 11 balance after the lump-sum payment becomes effective.
- (g) If the total service credit in the separate account 13 of the nonmember spouse under this part, including 14 service credit purchased under Sections 22662 and 22663, 15 is less than two and one-half years, the board shall refund 16 the accumulated retirement contributions account.

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- SEC. 47. Section 22662 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- spouse who is awarded a 22662. The nonmember 22 separate account under this part may redeposit previously 23 accumulated retirement contributions 24 refunded to the member in accordance with determination of the court pursuant to Section 22652.
- (a) The nonmember spouse may redeposit under this 27 part only those accumulated retirement contributions that were previously refunded to the member and in which the court has determined the nonmember spouse 30 has a community property interest.
- (b) The nonmember spouse shall inform the system in 32 writing of his or her intent to redeposit within 180 days after the judgment or court order addressing 34 redeposit rights of the nonmember spouse is entered. The nonmember spouses' election to redeposit shall be made on a form provided by the system within 30 days after the system mails an election form and the billing.
- (c) If the nonmember spouse elects to redeposit under 38 this part, he or she shall repay the portion of the member's refunded accumulated retirement contributions

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were awarded to the nonmember spouse and shall pay regular interest from the date of the refund to the date of payment.

- (d) An election to redeposit shall be considered an 5 election all accumulated to repay retirement 6 contributions previously refunded under this part in which the nonmember spouse has a community property 8 interest. All payments shall be received by the system 9 before the effective date of the nonmember spouse's 10 retirement under this part. If any payment due because 11 of the election is not received at the system's office in 12 Sacramento within 120 days of its due date, the election 13 shall be canceled and any payments made under the 14 election shall be returned to the nonmember spouse.
- (e) The right of the nonmember spouse to redeposit 16 shall be subject to Section 23203.
- (f) The member shall not have a right to redeposit the 18 share of the nonmember spouse in the previously retirement contributions 19 refunded accumulated 20 this part whether or not the nonmember spouse elects to 21 redeposit. However, accumulated any retirement 22 contributions previously refunded under this part and 23 not explicitly awarded to the nonmember spouse under this part by the judgment or court order shall be deemed the exclusive property of the member.

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- SEC. 48. Section 22664 of the Education Code is 28 amended to read:
- 22664. The nonmember spouse who is awarded a 30 separate account shall have the right to a service 31 retirement allowance and, if applicable, a retirement 32 annuity under this part.
- (a) The nonmember spouse shall be eligible to retire 34 for service under this part if the following conditions are satisfied:
- (1) The member had at least five years of credited 36 37 service during the period of marriage, at least one year of 38 which had been performed subsequent to the most 39 recent refund to the member of accumulated retirement 40 contributions. The credited service may include service

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credited to the account of the member as of the date of the dissolution or legal separation, previously refunded service, out-of-state service, and permissive service credit that the member is eligible to purchase at the time of the 5 dissolution or legal separation.

(2) The nonmember spouse has at least two and one-half years of credited service in his or her separate

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- (3) The nonmember spouse has attained the age of 55 10 years or more.
 - (b) A service retirement allowance of a nonmember spouse under this part shall become effective upon any date designated by the nonmember spouse, provided:
 - (1) The requirements of subdivision (a) are satisfied.
- (2) The nonmember spouse has filed an application for 16 service retirement on a form provided by the system, that is executed no earlier than six months before the effective 18 date of the retirement allowance.
- (3) The effective date is no earlier than the first day of 20 the month in which the application is received at the system's office in Sacramento and the effective date is after the date the judgment or court order pursuant to 23 Section 22652 was entered.
- (c) (1) Upon service retirement at normal 25 retirement age under this part, the nonmember spouse shall receive a retirement allowance that shall consist of an annual allowance payable in monthly installments equal to 2 percent of final compensation for each year of credited service.
- (2) If the nonmember spouse's retirement is effective 31 at less than normal retirement age and between early retirement age under this part and normal retirement the retirement allowance shall be reduced by 34 one-half of 1 percent for each full month, or fraction of a 35 month, that will elapse until the nonmember spouse 36 would have reached normal retirement age.
- (3) If the nonmember spouse's service retirement is 37 38 effective at an age greater than normal retirement age and is effective on or after January 1, 1999, the percentage

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1 of final compensation for each year of credited service shall be determined pursuant to the following table:

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4	Age at Retirement	Percentage
5	60 1/4	2.033
6	$60^{-1}/_2$	2.067
7	$60^{3}/_{4}$	2.10
8	61	2.133
9	61 ¹ / ₄	2.167
10	61 1/2	2.20
11	61 ³ / ₄	2.233
12	62	2.267
13	62 ¹ / ₄	2.30
14	62 \(^{1}/_{2}\)	2.333
15	62 ³ / ₄	2.367
16	63 and over	2.40

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- (4) In computing the retirement allowance of the 19 nonmember spouse, the age of the nonmember spouse on the last day of the month in which the retirement allowance begins to accrue shall be used.
- (5) Final compensation, for purposes of calculating the 23 service retirement allowance of the nonmember spouse 24 under this subdivision, shall be calculated according to the definition of final compensation in Section 22134, 26 22135, or 22136, whichever is applicable, and shall be 27 based on the compensation earnable of the member up 28 to the date the parties separated, as established in the 29 judgment or court order pursuant to Section 22652. The 30 nonmember spouse shall not be entitled to use any other calculation of final compensation.
- (d) If the member is or was receiving a disability allowance under this part with an effective date before or 34 on the date the parties separated as established in the 35 judgment or court order pursuant to Section 22652, or at 36 any time applies for and receives a disability allowance with an effective date that is before or coincides with the date the parties separated as established in the judgment or court order pursuant to Section 22652, the nonmember spouse shall not be eligible to retire until after the

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disability allowance of the member terminates. If the member who is or was receiving a disability allowance returns to employment to perform creditable service subject to coverage under the Defined Benefit Program 5 or has his or her allowance terminated under Section 24015, the nonmember spouse may not be paid a retirement allowance until at least six months after termination of the disability allowance and the return of 9 member to employment to perform creditable 10 service subject to coverage under the Defined Benefit Program, or the termination of the disability allowance 12 and the employment or self-employment of the member 13 in any capacity, notwithstanding Section 22132. If at the 14 end of the six-month period, the member has not had a 15 recurrence of the original disability or has not had his or 16 her earnings fall below the amounts described in Section 17 24015, the nonmember spouse may be paid a retirement 18 allowance if all other eligibility requirements are met.

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- retirement allowance of the 20 spouse under this subdivision shall be calculated as 21 follows: the disability the allowance member was 22 receiving, exclusive of the portion for dependent children, shall be divided between the share of the member and the share of the nonmember spouse. The share of the nonmember spouse shall be the amount multiplying disability obtained by the allowance, exclusive of the portion for dependent children, by the 28 years of service credited to the separate account of the 29 nonmember spouse, including service projected to the 30 date of separation, and dividing by the projected service of the member. The nonmember spouse's retirement allowance shall be the lesser of the share of nonmember spouse under this subdivision the retirement allowance under subdivision (c).
- 35 (2) The share of the member shall be the total 36 disability allowance reduced by the share of nonmember spouse. The share of the member shall be considered the disability allowance of the member for purposes of Section 24213.

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- (e) The nonmember spouse who receives retirement allowance is not a retired member under this part. However, the allowance of the nonmember spouse 4 shall be increased by application of the improvement 5 factor and shall be eligible for the application of supplemental increases and other benefit maintenance provisions under this part, including, but not limited to, Sections 24411, 24412, and 24415 based on the same criteria used for the application of these 10 maintenance increases to the service retirement allowances of members.
- 12 SEC. 48.

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- SEC. 49. Section 22665 of the Education Code is 13 14 amended to read:
- 22665. The system shall include the service credit 16 awarded to a nonmember spouse in the judgment or court order to determine the eligibility of a member for 18 a retirement or disability allowance under this part. That portion of awarded service credit based on previously 20 refunded accumulated retirement contributions 21 permissive service credit may not be used by the member 22 for eligibility requirements until the member 23 redeposited or purchased his or her portion of the service 24 credit. The member's service retirement allowance shall 25 be calculated based on the service credit in the member's account on the effective date of service retirement.
- 27 SEC. 49.
- SEC. 50. Section 22703 of the Education Code is 28 29 amended to read:
- 30 22703. (a) Service shall be credited to the Defined Benefit Program, except as provided in subdivision (b).
- (b) A member's creditable service that exceeds 1.000 33 in a school year shall not be credited to the Defined 34 Benefit Program. Commencing July 1. 35 contributions by the employer and the member 36 creditable compensation paid to the member for that
- 37 service, exclusive of contributions pursuant to Section
- 38 22951, shall be credited to the Defined Benefit
- 39 Supplement Program.

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(c) In lieu of any other benefits provided by this part, 1 any member who performed service prior to July 1, 1956, shall receive retirement benefits for that service at least equal to the benefits that the member would have received for that service under the provisions of this part as they existed on June 30, 1956. This subdivision shall not apply to service that is credited in the San Francisco City 8 and County Employees Retirement System. 9

SEC. 50.

- SEC. 51. Section 22706 of the Education Code is 10 11 amended to read:
- 12 22706. A member shall not receive credit for service 13 performed while receiving a retirement or disability 14 allowance under the Defined Benefit Program or while 15 receiving a retirement or disability annuity under the 16 Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

SEC. 51.

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- Section 22905 of the Education Code is 18 SEC. 52. 19 amended to read:
- 20 22905. (a) Contributions made by a member and 21 member contributions made by an employer pursuant to Section 22903 and 22904 shall be credited by the board to 23 the individual account of the member.
- (b) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 25 2002, and, as of January 1, 2003, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2003, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

29 SEC. 52.

- SEC. 53. Section 22905 is added to the Education 30 31 Code, to read:
- 32 22905. (a) Member contributions pursuant 33 Section 22901 and employer contributions pursuant to
- 34 Sections 22903 and 22904 shall be credited to the 35 member's individual account under the Defined Benefit
- 36 Program or the Defined Benefit Supplement Program,
- whichever is applicable pursuant to the provisions of this 38 part.
- 39 (b) Member and employer contributions member's compensation under the following

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circumstances shall be credited to the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account:

- (1) Compensation for creditable service that exceeds one year in a school year.
- 5 (2) Compensation for extra-curricular school-related 6 activities performed in addition to the creditable service 7 required by the member's employer.

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9 (2) Compensation that is consistent with subdivision 10 (b) of Section 22119.2.

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- (3) Compensation that is a one-time payment pursuant to law, a collective bargaining agreement or employment agreement including, but not limited to, payments based on national board certification.
- (c) A member shall not make voluntary pretax or 16 posttax 17 contributions under the Defined Benefit 18 Supplement Program, except as provided in subdivision 19 (d), nor shall a member redeposit amounts previously 20 distributed based on the balance in the member's 21 Defined Benefit Supplement account.
- 22 (d) Member and employer contributions under 23 Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall be credited 24 to the accounts of members as of June 30 each year 25 following a determination by the system under the 26 provisions of this part that those contributions should be 27 credited to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program. 28 Contributions to a member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be identified separately from 30 the member's contributions credited under the Defined 31 Benefit Program.
- 32 (e) The provisions of this section shall become 33 operative on July 1, 2002.
- 34 SEC. 53.
- 35 SEC. 54. Section 22906 of the Education Code is 36 repealed.
- 37 SEC. 54.
- 38 SEC. 55. Section 22906 is added to the Education
- 39 Code, to read:

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22906. A 1 member's accumulated retirement contributions that were made with respect to service that was erroneously credited under the Defined Benefit Program shall be returned to the member contributions for that service cannot be credited under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program pursuant to this part.

SEC. 55.

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- SEC. 56. Section 22954 of the Education Code is 10 amended to read:
- 22954. (a) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the commencing 12 Government Code, July 1, 1999, continuous appropriation is hereby annually made from 14 the General Fund to the Controller, pursuant to this 15 section. for transfer the Supplemental to 16 Maintenance Account in the Teachers' Retirement Fund. 17 The total amount of the appropriation for each year shall 18 be equal to 2.5 percent of the total of the creditable 19 compensation of the plan year ending in the immediately 20 preceding calendar vear upon which 21 contributions are based for purposes of funding the 22 supplemental payments authorized by Section 24415.
- 23 board may deduct from (b) The annual 24 appropriation made pursuant to this section an amount 25 necessary for the administrative expenses of Section 26 24415.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this 28 section to establish the supplemental payments pursuant Section 24415 as vested benefits pursuant to a 30 contractually enforceable promise make annual contributions from the General Fund the to 32 Supplemental Account Benefit Maintenance in the Teachers' Retirement Fund in order to provide a 34 continuous annual source of revenue for the purposes of making the supplemental payments under Section 24415.
- (d) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 36 37 2003, and as of January 1, 2004, is repealed unless a later 38 enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before January 1, 2004, deleted or extends the date on which it 40 becomes inoperative and is repealed.

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1 SEC. 57. Section 22954 is added to the Education 2 Code, to read:

3 22954. (a) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the 4 Government Code, commencing July 1, 1999, 5 continuous appropriation is hereby annually made from 6 the General Fund to the Controller, pursuant to this section, for transfer to the Supplemental Benefit 8 Maintenance Account in the Teachers' Retirement Fund. 9 The total amount of the appropriation for each year shall 10 be equal to 2.5 percent of the total of the creditable compensation of the plan year ending in the immediately 12 preceding calendar vear upon which members' 13 contributions are based for purposes of funding the 14 supplemental payments authorized by Section 24415.

- 15 (b) The board may deduct from the annual 16 appropriation made pursuant to this section an amount 17 necessary for the administrative expenses of Section 18 24415.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this 19 20 section to establish the supplemental payments pursuant 21 to Section 24415 as vested benefits pursuant to a 22 contractually enforceable promise to make General 23 contributions from Fund the to the 24 Supplemental Benefit Maintenance Account the 25 Teachers' Retirement Fund in order to provide a 26 continuous annual source of revenue for the purposes of making the supplemental payments under Section 24415.
- 28 (d) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2003.
- 29 SEC. 58. Section 22955 of the Education Code is 30 amended to read:
- 31 22955. (a) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, commencing July 1, 1999, a continuous appropriation is hereby annually made from the General Fund to the Controller, pursuant to this section, for transfer to the Teachers' Retirement Fund. The total amount of the appropriation for each year shall be equal to 3.102 percent of the total of the creditable compensation of the *plan year ending in the* immediately preceding calendar year upon which members' 40 contributions are based, to be calculated annually on

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October 1, and shall be divided into four equal quarterly payments.

3 (b) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of 4 Government Code, commencing October 1, 1998, 5 addition continuous appropriation, in to the subdivision made by (a), is 6 appropriation hereby annually made from the General Fund to the Controller for transfer to the Teachers' Retirement Fund. The total amount of the appropriation for each year shall be equal 10 0.524percent of the total of the creditable compensation of the plan year ending in the immediately 12 preceding calendar vear upon which members' contributions are based, to be calculated annually on 14 October 1, and shall be divided into four equal quarterly payments. The percentage shall be adjusted to reflect the 16 contribution required to fund the normal cost deficit or 17 the unfunded obligation as determined by the board 18 based upon a recommendation from its actuary. If a rate increase is required, the adjustment may be for no more 20 than 0.25 percent per year and in no case may the transfer 21 made pursuant to this subdivision exceed 1.505 percent of 22 the total of the creditable compensation of the plan year 23 ending in the immediately preceding calendar year upon which members' contributions are based. At any time 25 when there is neither an unfunded obligation nor a normal cost deficit, the percentage shall be reduced to 27 zero.

The funds transferred pursuant to this subdivision shall first be applied to eliminating on or before June 30, 2027, the unfunded actuarial liability of the fund identified in the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 1997.

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(c) For the purposes of this section, the term "normal 33 cost deficit" means the difference between the normal rate as determined in the actuarial valuation 34 cost 35 required by Section 22311 and the total of the member 36 contribution rate required under Section 22901 and the 37 employer contribution rate required under Section 38 22950, and shall exclude (1) the portion for unused sick leave service credit granted pursuant to Section 22717, and (2) the cost of benefit increases that occur after July **AB 2700 — 38 —**

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1, 1990. The contribution rates prescribed in Section 22901 and Section 22950 on July 1, 1990, shall be utilized 3 to make the calculations. The normal cost deficit shall then be multiplied by the total of the creditable compensation upon which member contributions under this part are based to determine the dollar amount of the normal cost deficit for the year.

- (d) Pursuant to Section 22001 and case law, members are entitled to a financially sound retirement system. It is 10 the intent of the Legislature that this section shall provide the retirement fund stable and full funding over the long term.
- (e) This section continues in effect but in a somewhat 14 different form, fully performs, and does not in any way unreasonably impair, the contractual obligations 16 determined by the California Teachers' court in Association v. Cory, 155 Cal.App.3d 494.
- (f) Subdivision (b) shall not be construed to be applicable to any unfunded liability resulting from any 19 benefit increase or change in contribution rate under this part that occurs after July 1, 1990.
- (g) The amendments to this section during the 23 1991–92 Session shall be construed Regular 24 implemented to be in conformity with the judicial intent expressed by the court in California Teachers' Association v. Cory, 155 Cal.App.3d 494. 26
- 27 (h) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 28 2003, and as of January 1, 2004, is repealed unless a later 29 enacted statute, that becomes effective on or before 30 January 1, 2004, deletes or extends the date on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- SEC. 59. Section 22955 is added to the Education 32 33 Code, to read:
- 34 22955. (a) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the 35 Government Code, commencing July1. 2003. 36 continuous appropriation is hereby annually made from 37 the General Fund to the Controller, pursuant to this 38 section, for transfer to the Teachers' Retirement Fund. The total amount of the appropriation for each year shall 40 be equal to 3.102 percent of the total of the creditable

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1 compensation of the plan year ending in the immediately upon preceding calendar year which members' contributions are based, to be calculated annually on October 1, and shall be divided into four equal quarterly 5 payments.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 13340 6 of the Government Code, commencing October 1, 2003, a 8 continuous appropriation, inaddition to the 9 appropriation made by subdivision (a), is10 annually made from the General Fund to the Controller 11 for transfer to the Teachers' Retirement Fund. The total 12 amount of the appropriation for each year shall be equal 13 to 0.524 percent of the total of the 14 compensation of the plan year ending in the immediately calendar year which 15 preceding upon members' 16 contributions are based, to be calculated annually on 17 October 1, and shall be divided into four equal quarterly 18 payments. The percentage shall be adjusted to reflect the 19 contribution required to fund the normal cost deficit or 20 the unfunded obligation as determined by the board 21 based upon a recommendation from its actuary. If a rate 22 increase is required, the adjustment may be for no more 23 than 0.25 percent per year and in no case may the transfer 24 made pursuant to this subdivision exceed 1.505 percent of 25 the total of the creditable compensation of the plan year 26 ending in the immediately preceding calendar year upon which members' contributions are based. At any time when there is neither an unfunded obligation nor a normal cost deficit, the percentage shall be reduced to 30 zero. The funds transferred pursuant to this subdivision shall first be applied to eliminating on or before June 30, 2027, the unfunded actuarial liability of the fund 32 33 identified in the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 1997.

(c) For the purposes of this section, the term "normal 35 cost deficit" means the difference between the normal 36 cost rate as determined in the actuarial valuation required by Section 22311 and the total of the member contribution rate required under Section 22901 and the employer contribution rate required under 22950, and shall exclude (1) the portion for unused sick

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leave service credit granted pursuant to Section 22717, and (2) the cost of benefit increases that occur after July 3 1, 1990. The contribution rates prescribed in Section 4 22901 and Section 22950 on July 1, 1990, shall be utilized 5 to make the calculations. The normal cost deficit shall 6 then be multiplied by the total of the creditable compensation upon which member contributions under this part are based to determine the dollar amount of the 9 *normal cost deficit for the year.*

- (d) Pursuant to Section 22001 and case law, members are entitled to a financially sound retirement system. It is the intent of the Legislature that this section shall provide 13 the retirement fund stable and full funding over the long 14 *term*.
- (e) This section continues in effect but in a somewhat 16 different form, fully performs, and does not in any way unreasonably impair, the contractual obligations 18 determined by the court in California Teachers' 19 Association v. Cory, 155 Cal.App.3d 494.
- (f) Subdivision (b) shall not be construed to be 21 applicable to any unfunded liability resulting from any benefit increase or change in contribution rate under this part that occurs after July 1, 1990.
- (g) The provisions of this section shall be construed 25 and implemented to be in conformity with the judicial intent expressed by the court in California Teachers' Association v. Cory, 155 Cal.App.3d 494.
 - (h) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2003.
- SEC. 60. Section 22955.5 is added to the Education 29 30 Code, to read:
- 31 22955.5. For purposes of Sections 22954 and 22955, "creditable compensation" shall include only creditable 32 compensation for which member contributions credited under the Defined Benefit Program. 34
- 35 SEC. 56.

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- SEC. 61. Section 23100 of the Education Code is 36 amended to read: 37
- 23100. (a) Upon the termination of a member's 38 employment by any cause other than death, disability, or

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retirement there shall be paid to the member, pursuant to this part, each of the following:

- 3 accumulated (1) The member's retirement contributions made after June 30, 1935.
- (2) The member's accumulated deposit annuity 6 contributions.
- (3) The member's accumulated Defined Benefit 8 Supplement contributions.
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- (3) An amount equal to the balance of credits in the 10 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account.
- 12 retirement (b) Accumulated contributions and 13 accumulated annuity deposit contributions shall include credited interest through the date of payment.
- SEC. 57. 15

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- 16 SEC. 62. Section 23300 of the Education Code is 17 repealed.
- SEC. 58. 18
- SEC. 63. Section 23300 is added to the Education 19 20 Code, to read:
- 21 23300. (a) A member of the Defined 22 Program may designate a beneficiary to receive benefits 23 payable under this part upon the member's death. A 24 beneficiary designation may not be made in derogation 25 of a nonmember spouse's community property interest 26 with respect to service or contributions credited under 27 this part unless the nonmember spouse has previously obtained an alternative order pursuant to Section 2610 of the Family Code.
- 30 (b) A member shall make separate designations for 31 benefits payable under the Defined Benefit Program and Supplement Defined Benefit 32 the Program. designation shall be in writing on a form prescribed by 34 the system, executed by the member, and witnessed by 35 two witnesses who are not designated as beneficiary for 36 benefits payable under either the Defined 37 Program or the Defined Benefit Supplement Program. A 38 member may designate the same beneficiary for benefits payable under the Defined Benefit Program and the

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Defined Benefit Supplement Program, or may designate a different beneficiary for each.

- (c) A beneficiary designation shall not be valid unless it is received in the office of the system in Sacramento 5 prior to the member's death.
- (d) A member may change or revoke a beneficiary designation at any time by making a new designation pursuant to this section.
- 9 (e) This section shall not be applicable the 10 designation of an option beneficiary or an annuity beneficiary under this part.
- 12 SEC. 59.
- SEC. 64. Section 23881 of the Education Code is 13 14 repealed.
- SEC. 60. 15

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- 16 SEC. 65. Section 23881 is added to the Education 17 Code, to read:
- 23881. (a) If upon receipt of proof of death of a 19 retired member who was receiving an unmodified 20 allowance and who retired under this part after June 30, 1972, there is a remaining balance of the member's accumulated retirement contributions, the balance shall 23 be paid to the member's beneficiary.
- (b) If upon Upon receipt of proof of death of a retired 25 member's option beneficiary after the beneficiary begins to receive an allowance, the remaining balance of a member's accumulated retirement contributions, if any, shall be paid to the beneficiary designated by the option beneficiary to receive that payment.
- (c) The remaining balance of a retired 30 member's 31 accumulated retirement contributions shall be 32 difference between the balance of the accumulated retirement contributions on the effective date of the 34 member's retirement and the total retirement allowance paid or payable to the retired member on the date of the 36 member's death. If the retired member predeceased the option beneficiary, the remaining balance of the retired 38 member's accumulated retirement contributions shall be the difference between the balance of the accumulated retirement contributions on the effective date of the

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1 member's retirement and the total retirement allowance paid or payable to the retired member and the option beneficiary on the date of the option beneficiary's death.

(d) Payments pursuant to this section shall include 5 interest on the remaining balance of accumulated retirement contributions calculated from the date the last allowance payment was made to the date the remaining balance of accumulated retirement contributions is paid.

SEC. 61.

- SEC. 66. Section 24202.5 of the Education Code is 10 11 amended to read:
- 24202.5. (a) A member who retires for service on or after January 1, 1999, shall receive a retirement allowance 13 consisting of all of the following:
- (1) An annual allowance payable monthly 16 installments, upon retirement equal to the percentage of the final compensation set forth opposite the member's 18 age at retirement in the following table multiplied by each year of credited service:

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21	Age at Retirement	Percentage
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23	60 1/4	2.033
24	$60^{-1}/_2$	2.067
25	60 ³ / ₄	2.10
26	61	2.133
27	61 ¹ / ₄	2.167
28	61 1/2	2.20
29	61 ³ / ₄	2.233
30	62	2.267
31	62 1/4	2.30
32	$62^{1}/_{2}$	2.333
33	62 ³ / ₄	2.367
34	63 and over	2.40
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If the member's retirement is effective at less than 36 37 normal retirement age and between early retirement age and normal retirement age, the member's allowance shall be reduced by one-half of 1 percent for each full month, AB 2700 — 44 —

or fraction of a month that will elapse until the member will attain normal retirement age.

- (2) An annuity that shall be the actuarial equivalent of the member's *accumulated* annuity deposit contributions—and eredited interest thereon at the time of retirement.
- 7 (3) An annuity based on the balance *of credits* in the 8 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account, 9 *pursuant to Section 25012*, *if elected by the member* 10 *pursuant to Section 25011*.
- 11 (b) In computing the amounts described in paragraph 12 (1) of subdivision (a), the age of the member on the last 13 day of the month in which the retirement allowance 14 begins to accrue or the later date as provided in Section 15 24204 shall be used.

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- 17 SEC. 67. Section 24206 of the Education Code is 18 amended to read:
- 24206. The minimum unmodified 19 allowance 20 service retirement under the Defined Benefit Program, 21 exclusive of annuities payable from accumulated annuity 22 deposit contributions and exclusive of—accumulated the 23 balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit 24 Supplement—contributions account, shall not be less than 25 ten dollars (\$10) per month multiplied by the member's 26 years of credited service. This guaranteed amount shall 27 be reduced by the amount of an unmodified allowance 28 payable from a local system based on service credited 29 under the Defined Benefit Program. If the retirement is 30 effective at less than age 60 years this allowance shall be 31 reduced by one-half of 1 percent for each full month or 32 fraction of a month that will elapse until the member 33 would have reached age 60 years.

SEC. 63.

- 35 SEC. 68. Section 24300.5 is added to the Education 36 Code, to read:
- 37 24300.5. An option beneficiary who is receiving an 38 allowance pursuant to the option elected by the member 39 may designate a beneficiary to receive any remaining 40 balance of the retired member's accumulated retirement

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contributions payable pursuant to Section 23881 upon the death of the option beneficiary.

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- SEC. 69. Section 24305.3 is added to the Education 4 5 Code, to read:
- 24305.3. (a) A member who is receiving a joint and 6 survivor annuity under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program may change the annuity or the annuity beneficiary elected pursuant to Section 25011 or 25018 10 provided all of the following conditions are met:
- (1) The annuity beneficiary is the member's spouse or 12 former spouse.
- (2) A final decree of dissolution of marriage is granted, 14 or a judgment of nullity is entered, or an order of separate 15 maintenance is made by a court of competent jurisdiction 16 with respect to the member and the spouse or former spouse on or after July 1, 2002 the beginning of the initial 18 plan year designated by the board pursuant to Section 22156.05.
- (3) The change is consistent with the final decree of 21 dissolution, judgment of nullity, or order of separate maintenance.
- (b) A member may change the annuity pursuant to 24 subdivision (a) before or after the first annuity payment 25 is issued.
- (c) The member shall notify the system in writing of 27 the change in the annuity. The notification shall not be earlier-that than the effective date of the final decree of dissolution, judgment of nullity, or order of separate maintenance and shall include a certified copy of the final decree of dissolution, judgment of nullity, or order of separate maintenance, and any property settlement agreement.
- (d) A change in the annuity or annuity beneficiary or 35 both shall become effective on the date the notification 36 of change is received by the system. The annuity amount payable to the member upon the change elected by the 38 member shall be determined as of the effective date of the change and shall be the actuarial equivalent of the lump sum that would otherwise be payable to

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- member as of the date of the change. If the member elects
- a joint and survivor annuity, the amount payable under the annuity shall be modified consistent with the annuity
- elected by the member.
- 5 SEC. 65.
- SEC. 70. Section 24400 of the Education Code is 6 amended to read:
- 24400. The Legislature recognizes that 9 erodes the purchasing power of benefits paid under the 10 plan pursuant to this part. It is the intent of the 11 Legislature to understand the degree of erosion of these 12 benefits. The board shall report to the Governor and 13 Legislature no later than April 1 of each year on the 14 extent to which inflation has eroded the purchasing 15 power of benefits provided under the Defined Benefit 16 Program and Defined Benefit Supplement Program. The amount of 17 board shall indicate the supplementary retirement allowances and
- 18 increases in
- 19 annuities required to preserve the purchasing power of
- 20 benefits provided under the Defined Benefit Program
- and Defined Benefit Supplement Program. The board
- shall also determine and report on the increases.
- 23 SEC. 66.

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- SEC. 71. Section 24402 of the Education Code is 24 amended to read:
- 24402. (a) Service retirement 26 allowances, 27 retirement annuities, disability allowances, disability allowances, 28 retirement disability annuities, family allowances, and survivor benefit allowances payable 30 pursuant to this part shall be increased by application of 31 the benefit improvement factor.
- (b) Allowances payable to beneficiaries on account of options elected under Section 24300, 24301, or 24307 and 33 34 annuities payable to annuity beneficiaries under the 35 Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall be increased 36 by application of the improvement factor. This factor shall be applicable on the same date when it would have 38 been applied to the allowance of the deceased person.
- (c) The benefit improvement factor shall 39 applied to an annuity that is the actuarial equivalent of

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the accumulated annuity deposit contributions standing to the credit of the member's account on the effective date of a service or disability retirement.

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- 5 SEC. 72. Section 24411 of the Education Code is 6 amended to read:
- 24411. (a) (1) Annual cost-of-living adjustments for retired members, disabled members, and beneficiaries, and annuity beneficiaries in excess of the 2-percent 10 adjustment authorized by Section 22140 may be included as a General Fund appropriation in the annual Budget 12 Act. In the annual budget submitted to the Legislature, the Governor shall include a budget item equal to 5 14 percent of the average annualized statewide increase in 15 payroll for certificated personnel over the three previous 16 school years among school districts, county offices of 17 education, and community college districts.
- (2) The amount submitted in the annual Budget Act 19 pursuant to this section shall be considered as part of the 20 overall budget allocations to the public schools and 21 community colleges.
- 22 (b) The annual appropriation shall be made to the 23 system on July 1, and shall be placed in a segregated Retirees' 24 account called the Purchasing 25 Protection Account. The proceeds of that account are appropriated 26 continuously and shall be distributed commencing quarterly payments 27 annually in September 1 to retired members, disabled members,—and 29 beneficiaries under the Defined Benefit Program, 30 annuity beneficiaries the Defined Benefit under 31 Supplement Program as follows:
- (1) The proceeds shall be allocated among those 33 retired members, disabled members,—and beneficiaries Program, 34 under the Defined Benefit and annuity 35 beneficiaries under the Defined Benefit Supplement 36 Program whose allowances or annuities, after applying 37 the 2-percent adjustment authorized by Section 22140, 38 have the lowest purchasing power percentage, based on the amount that would be paid had the original allowance 40 or annuity been increased by the increases in the index

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then being used by the Department of Finance to measure changes in the cost of living, increasing those allowances and annuities to a common minimum purchasing power level. In any year in which the purchasing power of the allowances of all retired 5 6 members, disabled members, and beneficiaries under the Defined Benefit Program and annuities Defined Benefit Supplement Program equals not less than 75 percent and additional funds remain from the allocation authorized by this section, those funds shall be allocated by the board to general accounts to reduce the 12 unfunded actuarial liability of the fund.

- (2) The board may deduct from the annual 14 appropriation an amount necessary for administrative expenses to implement this section. 15
- (c) The board shall inform each recipient of benefits 17 an allowance or annuity under subdivision (b) that the 18 increases are not cumulative, are not part of the base allowance or annuity, and shall be available only as appropriated annually in the Budget Act.
- (d) The adjustments authorized by this section shall 22 not be included in the base allowance or annuity for calculating 2-percent purposes of the adjustment authorized by Section 22140.
- (e) It is the ultimate intent and purpose of the 26 Legislature in amending this section by Chapters 323 and 27 780 of the Statutes of 1983, to achieve a common 28 minimum purchasing power level equal to 75 percent of the purchasing power of the original allowance—or 30 annuity. It is the present intent of the Legislature that until adequate funds are available to fulfill the ultimate 32 intent, those persons whose allowances or annuities have been most impacted by inflation shall be accorded first 34 priority receiving, in pursuant to this section, adjustments 35 supplemental cost-of-living from the 36 Retirees' Purchasing Power Protection Account.
- (f) This section shall not be operative in any fiscal year 37 38 during which, as determined by the board, distributions provided for by Section 24415 are being made.

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1 SEC. 73. Section 24412 of the Education Code is 2 amended to read:

24412. (a) The annual revenues deposited to the 3 Teachers' Retirement Fund pursuant to Section 6217.5 of the Public Resources Code are continuously appropriated without regard to fiscal year for the purposes of this section and shall be distributed annually in quarterly supplemental payments commencing on September 1 of each year to retired members, disabled members, and 10 beneficiaries under the Defined Benefit Program. annuity beneficiaries under the Defined 12 Supplement Program. The amount available for 13 distribution in any year shall be the income for that year 14 from the sale or use of school lands and lieu lands, as estimated by the State Lands Commission prior to the 16 beginning of the fiscal year, adjusted by the difference 17 between the estimated and actual income for 18 preceding fiscal year. The board shall deduct from the revenues necessary administrative 19 amount for 20 expenses to implement this section.

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(b) The net revenues distributed shall to be 22 allocated among those retired members, disabled 23 members, and beneficiaries whose allowances under the 24 Defined Benefit Program and annuity beneficiaries 25 whose annuities under the Defined Benefit Supplement 26 Program—whose annuities, after sequentially applying the annual improvement factor as defined in Section 22140 the annual supplemental payment as defined specified in Section 24411, if any, are below 75 percent of 30 the original purchasing power. The purchasing power calculation for each individual allowance and annuity 32 shall be based on the change in the All Urban California Consumer Price Index between June of the calendar year 34 of retirement and June of the fiscal year preceding the 35 fiscal year of the distribution. The allocation shall provide 36 a pro rata share of the amount needed to restore the allowance or annuity payable, after sequential application of the current year annual improvement factor and the supplemental payment under Section 24411, to 75 percent of *the* original purchasing power.

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- (c) The allowance or annuity increase shall not be applicable to annuities payable from the accumulated deposit contributions annuity or the accumulated tax-sheltered annuity contributions.
- (d) In any year that the net revenues from school lands 5 and lieu lands is greater than that needed to adjust the 6 allowances of all retired members, disabled members, beneficiaries under the Defined Benefit Program 9 and annuities payable under the Defined Supplement Program to 75 percent of original purchasing 10 power, the net revenues in excess of that needed for 12 distribution shall be used by the board to reduce the unfunded actuarial obligation of the fund. 13
- (e) The board shall inform each recipient of 15 supplemental payments under this section 16 increases are not cumulative and are not part of the base allowance or annuity.

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- SEC. 74. Section 24415 of the Education Code is 20 amended to read:
- 24415. (a) The proceeds of the Supplemental Benefit 22 Maintenance Account shall be distributed annually in 23 quarterly supplemental commencing payments 24 September 1. 1990. to retired members, disabled 25 members, annuity beneficiaries, and beneficiaries. The 26 amount available for distribution in any fiscal year shall 27 not exceed the amount necessary to restore purchasing 28 power up to 75 percent of the purchasing power of the 29 initial monthly allowance or annuity after the application 30 of all allowance and annuity increases authorized by this part, including those specified in Section 24412.
- (b) The net revenues to be distributed shall be 33 allocated among those retired members. disabled 34 members, annuity beneficiaries, and beneficiaries whose allowances or annuities, after sequentially applying the 36 annual improvement factor as defined in Sections 22140 and 22141, and the annual supplemental payment as 24412, have the lowest defined specified in Section The purchasing power percentage. purchasing power calculation for each individual shall be based on the

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1 change in the All Urban California Consumer Price Index between June of the calendar year of retirement and June 3 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year of distribution. 4 In any year in which the purchasing power of the allowances and annuities of all retired members, disabled members, annuity beneficiaries, and beneficiaries equals not less than 75 percent and additional funds remain from the allocation authorized by this section, those funds shall 9 remain the Supplemental Benefit Maintenance 10 Account for allocation in future years.

- (c) The allowance or annuity increase shall not be applicable to annuities payable from the accumulated deposit annuity contributions or the accumulated 14 tax-sheltered annuity contributions.
- (d) The benefits increases provided by subdivision 16 (b) are not cumulative, not part of the base allowance or annuity, and will be payable only to the extent that funds from Supplemental available the Maintenance Account. The board shall inform each recipient of the contents of this subdivision.
- (e) The adjustments authorized by this section are 22 vested only up to the amount payable as a result of the annual appropriation made pursuant to Section 22954 and shall not be included in the base allowance or annuity for purposes of calculating the annual improvement defined by Sections 22140 and 22141.

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- SEC. 75. Section 24417 of the Education Code is amended to read: 29
- 30 24417. (a) The of proceeds an auxiliary Supplemental Benefit Maintenance Account shall supplemental distributed annually in quarterly payments, commencing when funds in the Supplemental 34 Benefit Maintenance Account are insufficient to support 35 75 percent. to retired members, disabled members. 36 annuity beneficiaries, and beneficiaries. The amount available for distribution in any fiscal year shall not 38 exceed the amount necessary to restore purchasing power up to 75 percent of the purchasing power of the 40 initial monthly allowance or annuity after the application

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of all allowance and annuity increases authorized by this part, including those specified in Section 24412 and Section Sections 24412 and 24415.

- (b) The net revenues to be distributed shall be 5 allocated retired among those members, members, annuity beneficiaries, and beneficiaries whose allowances or annuities, after sequentially applying the annual improvement factor as defined in Sections 22140 9 and 22141, and the annual supplemental payment as 10 defined in Section 24412 and Section 24415, have the specified in Sections 24412 and 24415, have the lowest purchasing power percentage. The purchasing power 12 13 calculation for each individual shall be based on the 14 change in the All Urban California Consumer Price Index 15 between June of the calendar year of the benefit effective 16 date and June of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year 17 of distribution.
- (c) The allowance or annuity increase shall not be 19 applicable to annuities payable from the accumulated 20 annuity deposit contributions or the accumulated 21 tax-sheltered annuity contributions.
- (d) The benefits increases provided by subdivision 23 (b) are not cumulative, nor part of the base allowance or annuity, and will be payable only to the extent that funds Supplemental 25 are available from the Benefit 26 Maintenance Account and the auxiliary Supplemental Benefit Maintenance Account. The board shall inform each recipient of the contents of this subdivision.
- (e) The distributions authorized by this section are 30 vested only up to the amount payable as a result of the annual appropriation made pursuant to Section 22954 and shall not be included in the base allowance or annuity for purposes of calculating the annual improvement defined by Section Sections 22140 and 22141.

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- SEC. 76. Section 24600 of the Education Code is 36 amended to read: 37
- 38 24600. (a) A retirement allowance under this part begins to accrue on the effective date of the member's retirement and ceases on the earlier of the day of the

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member's death or the day on which the retirement allowance is terminated for a reason other than the member's death.

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- (b) A retirement allowance payable to an option 5 beneficiary under this part begins to accrue on the day following the day of the retired member's death and ceases on the day of the option beneficiary's death.
- (c) A disability allowance under this part begins to accrue on the effective date of the member's disability 10 and ceases on the earlier of the day of the member's death or the day on which the disability allowance is terminated 12 for a reason other than the member's death.
- (d) A family allowance under this part begins to 14 accrue on the day following the day of the member's 15 death and ceases on the day of the event that terminates 16 eligibility for the allowance.
- (e) A survivor benefit allowance payable 18 surviving spouse under this part pursuant to Chapter 23 19 (commencing with Section 23850) begins to accrue on 20 the day the member would have attained 60 years of age 21 or on the day following the day of the member's death, as elected by the surviving spouse, and ceases on the day of 23 the surviving spouse's death.
- (f) A child's portion of an allowance under this part 25 begins to accrue on the effective date of that allowance 26 and ceases on the earlier of either the termination of the 27 child's eligibility or the termination of the allowance. An allowance payable because of a full-time student shall terminate on the first day of the month following the end 30 of the school quarter or semester that is in progress in the month the full-time student attains 22 years of age. Any adjustment to an allowance because of a full-time student's periods of nonattendance shall be made as 34 follows: the allowance shall cease on the first day of the 35 month in which return to full-time attendance was 36 required and shall begin to accrue again on the first day of the month in which full-time attendance resumes.
- 38 (g) Supplemental payments issued under this pursuant to Sections 24701, 24702, and 24703 to retired members, disabled members, and beneficiaries

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begin to accrue pursuant to Sections 24701, 24702, and 24703 and shall cease to accrue as of the termination dates specified in subdivisions (a) to (f), inclusive.

- (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part or 5 other law, distributions payable under the plan with 6 respect to the Defined Benefit Program and the Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall he made accordance with applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and 10 regulations. The required beginning date of benefit payments that represent the entire interest of 12 member in the plan with respect to the Defined Benefit 13 Program and the Defined Benefit Supplement Program 14 shall be either:
- (1) In the case of a refund of contributions, 16 described in Chapter—12 18 (commencing with Section 17 23100) of this part, and distribution of the balance an 18 amount equal to the balance of credits in a member's 19 Defined Benefit Supplement account, as described in 20 Chapter 38 (commencing with Section 25000) of this part, 21 not later than April 1 of the calendar year following the 22 later of (A) the calendar year in which the member attains $70^{1}/_{2}$ years of age or (B) the calendar year in which the member terminates employment within the 25 meaning of subdivision (i).
- (2) In the case of a retirement allowance, as defined in Section—22150 22166, beginning not later than April 1 of the calendar year following the later of (A) the calendar year in which the member attains $70^{1}/_{2}$ years of age or 30 (B) the calendar year in which the member terminates employment within the meaning of subdivision (i), to 32 continue over the life of the member or the lives of the member and the member's option beneficiary, or over 34 the life expectancy of the member or the life expectancy of the member and the member's option beneficiary.
- "terminates subdivision 36 (i) For purposes of (h), 37 employment" means the later of:
- 38 (1) The date the member ceases to perform creditable service subject to coverage under this plan.

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1 (2) The date the member ceases employment in a 2 position subject to coverage under another public 3 retirement system in this state if the compensation 4 earnable while a member of the other system may be 5 considered in the determination of final compensation 6 pursuant to Section 22134, 22135, or 22136.

SEC. 72.

- 8 SEC. 77. Section 25000 of the Education Code is 9 amended and renumbered to read:
- 10 25900. (a) The State Teachers' Retirement System 11 shall develop a program to provide health care benefits 12 for members, beneficiaries, children, and dependent 13 parents.
- 14 (b) All costs incurred by the system pursuant to this 15 part shall be paid by allocations from the Teachers' 16 Retirement Fund as appropriated for that purpose.
- 17 (c) The health care benefits program developed by 18 the system pursuant to this part shall not be implemented 19 by the system unless specifically authorized by a statute 20 enacted by the Legislature.
 - SEC. 73.

- 22 SEC. 78. Section 25100 of the Education Code is 23 amended and renumbered to read:
- 24 25901. Unless the context otherwise requires, the 25 definitions set forth in this chapter govern the 26 construction of this part.
- 27 SEC. 74.
- 28 SEC. 79. Section 25110 of the Education Code is 29 amended and renumbered to read:
- 30 25910. "Beneficiary" or "beneficiaries" means any 31 person or entity receiving or entitled to receive an
- 32 allowance and payment pursuant to Part 13
- 33 (commencing with Section 22000) or 14 (commencing
- 34 with Section 26000) because of the disability or death of 35 a member.
- 36 SEC. 75.
- 37 SEC. 80. Section 25115 of the Education Code is 38 amended and renumbered to read:
- 39 25915. (a) "Dependent child" or "dependent 40 children" means a member's unmarried offspring or

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stepchild who is not older than 22 years of age and who is financially dependent upon the member on the date 3 the member becomes eligible for benefits pursuant to this 4 part.

- (b) "Offspring" shall include the member's child who 6 is born within the 10-month period commencing on the date the member becomes eligible for benefits pursuant to this part.
- 9 (c) "Offspring" shall include a child adopted by the 10 member.
- (d) "Dependent child" shall not include the member's 12 offspring or stepchild who is adopted by a person other than the member's spouse.
- (e) "Financially dependent," for purposes of 15 section, means that at least one-half of the child's support 16 was being provided by the member on the date the member became eligible for benefits pursuant to this 18 part. The system may require that income tax records or 19 other data be submitted to substantiate the child's 20 financial dependence. In the absence of substantiating 21 documentation, the system may determine that the child was not dependent on the date the member became eligible for benefits pursuant to this part.

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- SEC. 81. Section 25120 of the Education Code is 26 amended and renumbered to read:
- or "dependent parents" 25920. "Dependent parent" 28 means a natural parent or parents of a member, or a parent or parents who adopted the member prior to the 30 earlier of the occurrence of the member's marriage or his 31 or her attaining 18 years of age, and who was receiving 32 one-half or more of his or her support from the member at the time the member became eligible for benefits 34 pursuant to this part.

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- SEC. 82. Section 25125 of the Education Code is 36 amended and renumbered to read: 37
- 25925. "Member" retired 38 means a current or employee of an employer, as defined in Section 22131. 39

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83. Chapter 38 (commencing with Section SEC. 25000) is added to Part 13 of Division 1 of Title 1 of the Education Code, to read:

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CHAPTER 38. DEFINED BENEFIT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM

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Article 1. General Provisions

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25000. The Defined Benefit Supplement Program is hereby established to provide supplemental benefits for members of the Defined Benefit Program. The Teachers' Retirement Board shall administer the Defined Benefit Supplement Program in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

25000.5. (a) The design and administration of the 16 Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code 18 and the Revenue and Taxation Code. The Teachers' 19 Retirement Board may amend the plan with respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program to do any of *the following:*

- (1) Comply with applicable federal laws and regulations to the extent permitted by law.
 - (2) Adopt or amend actuarial assumptions.
 - (3) Designate the initial plan year.
 - (4) Establish or revise the minimum interest rate.
 - (5) Declare an additional earnings credit.
 - (6) Declare an additional annuity credit.
- (b) If a person becomes entitled to a distribution from the program under this part that constitutes an eligible rollover distribution within the meaning of Section 401(a)(31) of Title 26 of the United States Code, the person may elect under terms and conditions established 34 by the board to have the distribution or a portion thereof 35 paid directly to a plan that constitutes an eligible 36 retirement plan within the meaning of Section 37 401(a)(31), as specified by that person. Upon the exercise 38 of the election by a person with respect to a distribution 39 or a portion thereof, the distribution from the program of 40 the amount so designated, once distributable under the

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1 terms of the program, shall be made in the form of a direct rollover to the eligible retirement plan so specified.

25000.7. A member shall have a vested right to a 4 benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program 5 in an amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account. That right shall accrue when the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account is established pursuant to Section 25004.

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Article 2. Program Accounts

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- 25001. (a) The board shall establish a segregated 14 account within the retirement fund to be known as the Gain and Loss Reserve, and the board shall have sole 16 authority over the reserve. The Gain and Loss Reserve shall be maintained for the Defined Benefit Supplement 18 Program and may be used to credit interest at the 19 minimum interest rate for plan years in which the board 20 determines that the obligation cannot be met from 21 investment earnings. The Gain and Loss Reserve may also 22 be used to provide additions to the Annuitant Reserve for 23 monthly annuities payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- (b) The board shall establish a goal for the balance of 26 the Gain and Loss Reserve and periodically shall review sufficiency of the reserve based recommendation recommendations of the actuary.
- (c) The board may allocate excess earnings of the plan 30 with respect to assets attributable to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program to the Gain and Loss Reserve. Upon 32 the recommendation of the actuary, the board shall determine annually the amount, if any, that is to be 34 allocated to the Gain and Loss Reserve for that plan year. 35 That determination shall be made upon recommendation 36 of the actuary after adoption of the actuarial valuation 37 undertaken pursuant to Section 22311.5 following the 38 plan year, but no later than June 30 following the end of the plan year. In determining whether to allocate excess

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earnings to the Gain and Loss Reserve, the board shall consider all of the following:

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- (1) Whether or not the plan has excess earnings the Defined Benefit attributable to Supplement Program.
- (2) The sufficiency of the Gain and Loss Reserve in light of the goal established pursuant to subdivision (b).
- (3) The amount required for the plan's administrative costs with respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement 10 Program.
- (4) The amount required for crediting members' 12 accounts at the minimum interest rate.

25002. The board shall establish and maintain a 14 segregated account within the retirement fund to be 15 known as the Annuitant Reserve and the board shall have 16 sole authority over the reserve. The Annuitant Reserve shall be used for the payment of annuities under the 18 Defined Benefit Supplement Program. The board shall 19 transfer the balance in a member's accumulated Defined 20 Benefit Supplement account to the reserve when a benefit is to be paid as an annuity.

25003. The board may transfer amounts between the 23 Gain and Loss Reserve and the Annuitant Reserve upon the recommendation of the actuary.

25004. Member accounts under the Defined Benefit 26 Supplement Program shall be nominal accounts. Member contributions and employer contributions on behalf of 28 the member—shall be credited that are specifically 29 identified creditable to the Defined 30 Supplement Program shall be treated as credits to the 31 member's Defined Benefit Supplement 32 together with interest credited at the minimum interest rate and additional earnings credit thereon. The balance 34 of credits in a member's account shall determine the 35 amount to which the member is entitled under the 36 Defined Benefit Supplement Program upon termination of employment subject to coverage by the plan. The 38 member shall not have a right or claim to any specific assets of the account, program, plan, or retirement fund.

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25005. (a) Prior to July 1 of the initial plan year, and prior to the beginning of each plan year thereafter, the board shall adopt a plan amendment with respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program to declare the rate at which interest shall be credited to Defined Benefit Supplement accounts for the following plan year.

- (b) The minimum interest rate declared annually by the board shall be in accordance with applicable federal laws and related regulations and shall not be less than the 10 rate at which interest is credited under the Defined Benefit Program.
- (c) Interest shall added be to Defined Benefit 13 Supplement accounts and shall be computed at the 14 minimum interest rate on the balance in a member's 15 account and shall be compounded daily.
- (d) Credited interest shall not be applied 17 accumulated Defined Benefit Supplement contributions 18 that have the balance of credits in a member's Defined 19 Benefit Supplement account that has been transferred to 20 the Annuitant Reserve.
- 25006. (a) The board declare additional mav an 22 earnings credit to be applied to Defined Benefit 23 Supplement accounts for a plan year. Prior to declaring 24 an additional earnings credit, the board shall consider all 25 of the following:
- (1) Whether the investment earnings plan's 27 respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program for 28 the plan year exceed the amount required to meet the liabilities identified in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4).
- (2) The amount required for the plan year to credit 31 interest on members' nominal accounts at the minimum interest rate.
- (3) The amount of the plan's administrative expenses 34 with to the Defined Benefit Supplement respect 35 Program for the plan year.
- (4) The sufficiency of the Gain and Loss Reserve and 36 37 whether any additions must be made to that reserve.
- 38 (b) For any plan year that the board declares an additional earnings credit, the board shall specify the amount to be added to members' accounts as

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percentage increase. The additional earnings credit shall be applied to the balance of credits in each member's nominal Defined Benefit Supplement account as of the last day of the plan year and shall be applied as of the date specified by the board. The additional earnings credit 5 shall not be added to accumulated Defined Benefit 6 Supplement contributions that have the balance of credits in a member's Defined Benefit Supplement 9 account that has been transferred to the Annuitant 10 Reserve.

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- (c) The declaration of an additional earnings credit shall be made as a plan amendment adopted by the board respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement 14 Program upon recommendation of the actuary after adoption of the actuarial valuation undertaken pursuant 16 to Section 22311.5, following the plan year, but no later than June 30 following the end of the plan year.
- 25007. When the board declares an 19 earnings credit for a plan year, the board also may declare 20 by plan amendment an additional annuity credit, for members and annuity beneficiaries who are receiving an annuity, based on the balance of credits transferred from 23 the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account to the Annuitant Reserve. The additional annuity credit, if declared by the board, shall be paid in a lump-sum. In addition to the considerations specified in Section 24242 25006, prior to declaring an additional earnings credit, the board shall consider both of the following:
 - (a) The amount required for the plan year to apply the additional credit the Defined Benefit earnings to Supplement accounts of members who are not receiving an annuity under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program for the plan year.
- (b) Any other obligations incurred by the plan with 35 respect to the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- 25008. (a) A member's right to the balance 36 37 amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be vested at time contributions are initially credited to member's account.

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(b) A partial distribution of the balance in a member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall not be made, except as provided in Section 25015 or 25022 25009 or 25016.

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Article 3. Retirement Benefits

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- 25009. (a) A member's retirement benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall be an amount 10 equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the retirement 12 benefit becomes payable.
- (b) A retirement benefit shall be lump-sum 14 payment, or an annuity payable in monthly installments, 15 or a combination of both a lump-sum payment and an 16 annuity, as elected by the member on the application for a retirement benefit.
- (c) Upon distribution of the entire retirement benefit 19 in a lump-sum payment, no other benefit shall be payable 20 to the member or the member's beneficiary under the 21 Defined Benefit Supplement Program.
- 25010. (a) A member who meets the following 23 eligibility requirements may receive a retirement benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program:
- (1) The member has terminated all employment to perform creditable service subject to coverage by the plan. The member's employer, or employers if the member has multiple employers, shall certify on a form prescribed by the system that the member's employment 30 has been terminated.
- (2) The member has retired for service under the 32 Defined Benefit Program pursuant to Chapter (commencing with Section 24201).
- (b) A member shall submit an application for a 35 retirement benefit on a form prescribed by the system.
- 25011. (a) A member may elect to receive 36 37 retirement benefit as an annuity payable in monthly 38 installments, provided the balance of credits member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the retirement benefit becomes payable is at least

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equal to equals at least three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

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- (b) If the member elects to receive the retirement 4 benefit as an annuity, the member shall elect one of the 5 following forms of payment:
- (1) A single life annuity without a cash refund feature. This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the amount that would be payable to the member if the member elected to receive the retirement benefit in a lump-sum payment. Upon the death of the member, no other benefit shall be payable to the member's Defined beneficiary under the Benefit Supplement 13 Program.
- (2) A single life annuity with a cash refund feature. This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the amount that would be payable to the member if the member elected to receive the retirement benefit in a 18 lump-sum payment. Upon the death of the member, an 19 amount equal to the remaining balance, if any, of the 20 amount credits transferred from the member's Defined 21 Benefit Supplement account to the Annuitant Reserve shall be returned in a lump-sum payment 23 member's beneficiary.
- (3) A 100-percent joint and survivor annuity. This 25 form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the lump-sum payment modified to be payable over the 27 combined lives of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. Upon the death of the member, the same monthly amount that was payable to the member shall be 30 paid to the member's surviving monthly beneficiary. If the annuity beneficiary predeceases the member, the annuity shall be payable to the member without modification as of the day following the date of 34 the *annuity* beneficiary's death upon receipt by the system of proof of the *annuity* beneficiary's death.
 - (4) A 50-percent joint and survivor annuity. This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the lump-sum payment modified to be payable over the combined lives of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. Upon the death of the member, one-half of the monthly

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amount that was payable to the member shall be paid monthly to the member's surviving beneficiary. If the annuity beneficiary. If theannuity beneficiary predeceases the member, the annuity shall be payable to 5 the member without modification as of the day following 6 the date of the annuity beneficiary's death upon receipt by the system of proof of the *annuity* beneficiary's death.

- (5) A period certain annuity. This form of payment is an annuity equal to the balance actuarial equivalent of 10 the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the retirement benefit becomes payable. The annuity shall be payable over a 12 specified number of years, from a minimum of three years 14 to a maximum of 10 years, until the annuity amount paid equals the amount of credits that was in the member's 15 16 Defined Benefit Supplement account. However, annuity period shall not exceed the life expectancy of the 18 member, or the life expectancy of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. If the member elects a single life annuity and the member's death occurs prior to the end of the period certain, the remaining balance of payments shall be paid to the member's beneficiary pursuant to Section 23300. If the member elects a joint and survivor annuity and the member's death occurs prior to the end of the period certain, the remaining 25 balance of payments shall be paid to the member's annuity beneficiary pursuant to Section 25025. 25022.
- (c) The actuarial equivalent of the balance of credits 29 in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall reflect increases in annuity payments to be made in the future pursuant to Sections 24402 and 24415, unless the member elected a period certain annuity. The amount attributable tofuture purchasing power 34 payments shall be deposited in the Supplemental Benefit 35 *Maintenance Account established by Section 24400.*

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Article 4. Annuities

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25012. An annuity payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall be determined as a value <u>— 65 — </u> **AB 2700**

actuarially equivalent to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the benefit becomes payable and after lump-sum payment. If a single life annuity is elected, the annuity shall be calculated using the age of the member on the date the benefit becomes payable. If a joint and survivor annuity is elected, the annuity shall be calculated using the age of the member and the age of the member's beneficiary on the date the benefit becomes payable.

25013. Upon election by the member to receive a benefit payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program in the form of an annuity, the balance of credits 13 in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account 14 shall be transferred to the Annuitant Reserve.

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a member 25014. (a) If reinstates from 16 retirement under this part, payment of—an a retirement annuity based on the balance of credits that was 18 transferred from the member's accumulated Benefit Supplement account to the Annuitant Reserve 20 shall terminate. The member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be credited with the actuarial equivalent of the member's annuity as of the date the annuity is terminated and the Annuitant Reserve shall be reduced by the amount credited to the member's 25 account.

- (b) The actuarial equivalent of the annuity on the date 27 the annuity is terminated shall be calculated using the actuarial assumptions that were in effect on the date the retirement annuity became payable. In determining the 30 actuarial equivalent, the age of the member on the date the benefit retirement annuity became payable shall be used if the member was receiving a single life annuity. If the member was receiving a joint and survivor annuity, 34 the age of the member and the age of the member's annuity beneficiary on the date the benefit retirement 36 annuity became payable shall be used to determine the actuarial equivalent.
 - (c) If the member subsequently retires again, annuity based on the remaining balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account at

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time of the subsequent retirement shall become payable pursuant to Section 24202.5 and the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be transferred to the Annuitant Reserve.

25015. (a) If a member elects to receive a benefit 6 payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program as a joint and survivor annuity, the member shall designate an annuity beneficiary on the application. The annuity beneficiary designation shall not 10 be changed after the date the benefit becomes payable to member, except as provided in Chapter (commencing with Section 22650).

- (b) A member who elects to receive a joint and 14 survivor annuity may designate more than one annuity 15 beneficiary. If the member designates multiple annuity 16 beneficiaries, the member shall specify the percentage of the annuity payable to each annuity beneficiary upon the death of the member. The annuity amount payable to the member during his or her lifetime shall be modified to be payable over the combined lives of the member and the annuity beneficiaries.
- (c) If the member predeceases an annuity beneficiary, 23 the annuity beneficiary may designate a payee to receive an amount that may be payable in a lump-sum pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 25023 upon the death of the annuity beneficiary.

Article 5. Disability Benefits

25016. (a) A member's disability benefit under the 31 Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall be an amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the member's disability benefit becomes payable.

(b) A disability benefit shall be a lump-sum payment, 36 or an annuity payable in monthly installments, or a combination of both a lump-sum payment and an annuity, as elected by the member on the application for a disability benefit.

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(c) Upon distribution of—a the entire disability benefit 2 in a lump-sum payment, no other benefit shall be payable to the member or the member's beneficiary under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program.

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- 25017. (a) A member who meets the following 6 eligibility requirements may receive a disability benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program:
- (1) The member has terminated all employment to 9 perform creditable service subject to coverage by the 10 plan. The member's employer, or employers if the member has multiple employers, shall certify on a form system that the member has 12 prescribed by the 13 terminated all creditable service. member's employment 14 has been terminated.
- (2) The member has been approved to receive a 16 disability allowance pursuant to Section 24006 Chapter 25 24001) or a disability 17 (commencing with Section 18 retirement allowance pursuant to Section 24106 Chapter 19 26 (commencing with Section 24100) under the Defined 20 Benefit Program.
- (b) The member, or the member's employer 22 conservator on behalf of the member, shall submit an 23 application for a disability benefit on a form prescribed by the system.
- 25018. (a) A member may elect to receive the 26 disability benefit as an annuity provided the balance payable in monthly installments provided the balance of 28 credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date the disability benefit becomes 30 payable equals at least three thousand five hundred 31 dollars (\$3,500).
- (b) If the member elects to receive the disability 33 benefit as an annuity, the member shall elect one of the 34 following forms of payment:
- 35 (1) A single life annuity without a cash refund feature. 36 This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the amount that would be payable to the member if the 38 member elected to receive the retirement disability benefit in a lump-sum payment. Upon the death of the member, no other benefit shall be payable to

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beneficiary under the Defined Benefit member's Supplement Program.

- (2) A single life annuity with a cash refund feature. This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the 5 amount that would be payable to the member if the 6 member elected to receive the disability retirement benefit in a lump-sum payment. Upon the death of the member, the remaining balance, if any, of the amount member, an amount equal to the remaining balance, if 10 any, of credits transferred from the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account to the Annuitant Reserve shall be returned in a lump-sum payment to the member's beneficiary.
- (3) A 100-percent joint and survivor annuity. This 15 form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the 16 lump-sum payment modified to be payable over the 17 combined lives of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. Upon the death of the member, the same monthly amount that was payable to the member shall be monthly to the member's surviving beneficiary. If the annuity beneficiary predeceases the 21 22 member, the annuity shall be payable to the member 23 without modification as of the day following the date of 24 the *annuity* beneficiary's death upon receipt by the system of proof of the *annuity* beneficiary's death.
- (4) A 50-percent joint and survivor annuity. This form 27 of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the lump-sum 28 payment modified to be payable over the combined lives 29 of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. 30 Upon the death of the member, one-half of the monthly 31 amount that was payable to the member shall be paid 32 monthly to the member's surviving annuity beneficiary. 33 If the annuity beneficiary predeceases the member, the 34 annuity shall be payable to the member modification as of the day following the date of the 35 36 annuity beneficiary's death upon receipt by the system of proof of the *annuity* beneficiary's death.
- (5) A period certain annuity. This form of payment is 38 an annuity equal to the balance actuarial equivalent of the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit

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Supplement account on the date the disability benefit becomes payable. The annuity shall be payable over a specified number of years, from a minimum of three years to a maximum of 10 years, until the annuity amount paid equals the amount of credits that was in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account. However, annuity period shall not exceed the life expectancy of the member, or the life expectancy of the member and the member's annuity beneficiary. If the member elects a single life annuity and the member's death occurs prior 10 to the end of the period certain, the remaining balance of payments shall be paid to the member's beneficiary 12 pursuant to Section 23300. If the member elects a joint and survivor annuity and the member's death occurs prior to the end of the period certain, the remaining 16 balance of payments shall be paid to the member's annuity beneficiary pursuant to Section 25025. 25022. 17

(c) The actuarial equivalent of the balance of credits 19 in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall reflect increases in annuity payments to be made in the future pursuant to Sections 24402 and 24415, unless the member elected a period certain annuity. The 23 amount attributable future to purchasing 24 payments shall be deposited in the Supplemental Benefit 25 Maintenance Account established by Section 24400.

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25019. (a) If a member's disability allowance 27 disability retirement allowance under this part 28 terminated, payment of a disability annuity based on the balance of credits transferred from the 30 Defined Benefit Supplement account to the Annuitant 31 Reserve also shall—be terminated terminate. 32 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be credited with the actuarial equivalent of the member's 34 annuity as of the date the annuity is terminated and the Annuitant Reserve shall be reduced by the amount 36 credited to the member's account.

(b) The actuarial equivalent of the annuity on the date 38 the annuity is terminated shall be calculated using the actuarial assumptions that were in effect on the date when disability annuity became payable.

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determining the actuarial equivalent, the age of the member on the date the disability annuity became payable shall be used if the member was receiving a single 4 life annuity. If the member was receiving a joint and survivor annuity, the age of the member and the age of the member's annuity beneficiary on the date the disability annuity became payable shall be used to determine the actuarial equivalent.

- (c) If a disability annuity subsequently becomes 10 payable pursuant to Section 25024, the annuity shall be 11 based on the remaining balance in the member's Defined 12 Benefit Supplement account at the time the subsequent 13 disability annuity becomes payable. At that time, the 14 balance
- (c) If a disability allowance or disability retirement 16 allowance subsequently becomes payable again, 17 annuity based on the remaining balance of credits in the 18 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account at the 19 time of the subsequent disability or disability retirement 20 shall become payable and the balance of credits in the 21 member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall be transferred to the Annuitant Reserve.

Article 6. Final Benefits

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- 25020. (a) A final benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program shall become payable to the 28 member's beneficiary when the system receives proof of the member's death.
- (b) If the member's death occurs before an annuity 31 under Defined Benefit Supplement 32 becomes payable, the final benefit shall be an amount equal to the balance of credits in the member's Defined 34 Benefit Supplement account on the date of the member's death.
- (c) Upon distribution of a final benefit in a lump-sum 36 37 payment, no other benefit shall be payable under the 38 Defined Benefit Supplement Program to the member's 39 beneficiary.

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25021. (a) A beneficiary may elect to receive the 2 final benefit payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program as an annuity provided the balance payable in monthly installments provided the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account equals at least three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).

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- (b) A beneficiary who elects to receive an annuity shall elect one of the following forms of payment:
- (1) A single life annuity without a cash refund feature. This form of payment is the actuarial equivalent of the amount that would be payable to the beneficiary if the beneficiary elected to receive the final benefit in a lump-sum payment. The annuity shall cease to be payable upon the death of the beneficiary, and no other benefit 16 will be payable under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program because of the death of the member and the member's beneficiary.
- (2) A period certain annuity. This form of payment is 20 an annuity equal to the balance the actuarial equivalent of the balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account on the date of the member's death. The annuity shall be payable over a specified number of 24 years, from a minimum of three years to a maximum of 25 10 years, but not to exceed the life expectancy of the beneficiary, until the annuity amount paid equals the amount of credits that was in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account. The beneficiary designate a payee to receive the remaining balance of payments if the beneficiary's death occurs prior to the end of the period certain.
- 32 (c) The actuarial equivalent of the balance of credits 33 in the member's Defined Benefit Supplement account shall reflect increases in annuity payments to be made in the future pursuant to Sections 24402 and 24415, unless 36 the member elected a period certain annuity. The 37 amount attributable to future purchasing 38 payments shall be deposited in the Supplemental Benefit *Maintenance Account established by Section 24400.*

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25022. (a) If the death of a member occurs while the 2 member is receiving an annuity under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program, the final benefit shall be payable in accordance with the terms of the annuity 5 elected by the member.

- (b) If the member was receiving a single life annuity without a cash refund feature, a final benefit shall not be
- (c) If the member was receiving a single life annuity 10 with a cash refund feature, the final benefit shall be payable in a lump-sum to the member's beneficiary.
- (d) If the member was receiving a joint and survivor 13 annuity, the annuity shall continue to be paid to the 14 surviving designated annuity beneficiary. 15 designated annuity beneficiary predeceases the member, 16 a final benefit shall not be payable.
- (e) If the member was receiving a period certain 18 annuity, the remaining balance of payments shall be paid 19 to the annuity beneficiary designated by the member.
- 25023. (a) Upon the death of an annuity beneficiary 21 who was receiving an annuity under a joint and survivor annuity elected by the member no further payment shall 23 be made.
- (b) If the annuity beneficiary was receiving an annuity 25 under a joint and survivor option, no further payment shall be made.
- (c) Upon the death of a beneficiary who was receiving 28 a single life annuity without a cash refund feature, no further payment shall be made.
- (d) Upon the death of a beneficiary who was receiving a period certain annuity, the remaining balance of payments shall be paid in a lump-sum to the payee designated by the beneficiary pursuant to subdivision (c) 34 of Section 25015.

Article 7. Termination Benefits

25024. (a) Upon the termination of all employment to perform creditable service subject to coverage under the plan for a reason other than retirement, disability, or

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death, a member shall be eligible for a termination benefit under the Defined Benefit Supplement Program. The member's employer, or employers if the member has multiple employers, shall certify on a form prescribed by the system that the member's employment has been 5 terminated. 6

- (b) A member shall submit an application for a termination benefit on a form prescribed by the system.
- (c) The termination benefit shall be a lump-sum 10 payment that is equal to the balance in amount to the 11 balance of credits in the member's Defined Benefit 12 Supplement account.
- (d) Upon distribution of the termination benefit, no 14 further benefit shall be payable to the member or the 15 member's beneficiary under the Defined 16 Supplement Program.
- 25025. A termination benefit under the 18 Benefit Supplement Program shall be payable after one 19 calendar year has elapsed following the date the member 20 terminated employment as specified in Section 25024. If 21 the member performs creditable service within one year 22 of the prior termination of employment, the termination benefit shall not be payable.
 - 25026. The member may cancel an application for a termination benefit at any time prior to distribution of the benefit.

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